

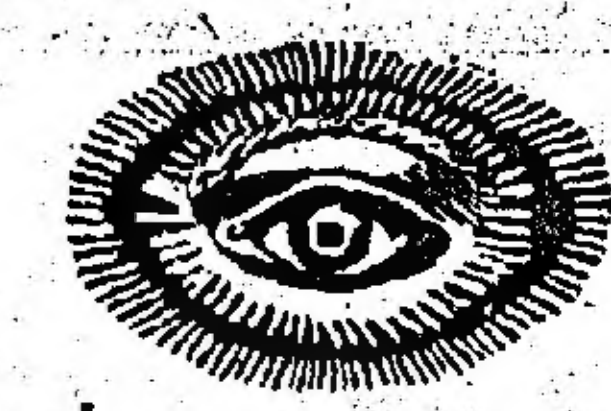
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DEFENCE OF "KAU SING"

REPORT BY THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

"WARNING TO THE PUBLIC"

Rescue Tug Has "Justified Her Existence"

OBJECT OF CRAFT EMPHASISED

From the Secretary of the General Chamber of Commerce the "China Mail" has received a lengthy reply to the criticisms in the Harbour Master's report in regard to the rescue tug "Kau Sing."

The Harbour Master's case is summarised, and the comments of the Chamber of Commerce follow: These speak for themselves.

We are requested by the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce to say:—

With reference to comments which have appeared in print as to the length of time that the Chamber of Commerce reply has been on the way, almost the whole of the reply now published was drafted early last May but was held up pending the receipt of replies to questions addressed to the Government as to the details of the navigating officers' criticisms of the vessel.

"NOT UNSUITABLE" FOR PURPOSE

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"

Sir,—With reference to recent correspondence on the subject of the Rescue Tug "Kau Sing," the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce feels that it cannot allow to pass without comment the criticisms contained in the Harbour Master's Report, embodied in Sessional Paper No. 2 of 1929, and published in the Press.

The design of the "Kau Sing" was adopted by the Government on the recommendations of a Special Committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce in 1923-1924 at the request of the Government: this Committee consisted of Messrs. R. M. Dyer, J. Reid, Capt. A. W. Davidson, Capt. T. Arthur, Mr. W. Lang (Surveyor to Lloyd's Registry) and was under the Chairmanship of Mr. R. Sutherland (Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce). In fairness to these gentlemen the Chamber of Commerce desires to make the following comments.

The Harbour Master's case may be summarised as follows:—

(a) "Kau Sing," owing to having only a single screw, is practically unmanageable in typhoon weather, when attempting to manoeuvre alongside a ship.

(b) The boiler installation is unsuitable because too long a time is taken in getting up steam. "From cold boilers it takes 12 hours to raise steam, and even with banked fires in one boiler it is not considered safe to send her outside harbour limits until such time as steam has been raised in the second boiler."

(c) As it would be uneconomical to convert "Kau Sing" from her present steam power to Diesel motor power, the Harbour Master recommends selling her and building a new tug with twin screw.

A full statement on the points at issue is attached to this letter, but for convenience I will summarise them here.

1. Single v. Twin Screw

As is borne out by the attached comments, expert opinion considers single screw tugs to be highly suitable for towage and salvage as well as for manoeuvring in narrow and congested waters; the Admiralty type of rescue tug, which has proved itself highly successful all over the world, also the majority of successful tugs such as those in Liverpool, London, the Clyde and in Holland are single screw vessels.

2. Qualifications of Navigating Officer

It is essential that a tug, in order to be used to the best advantage, should be handled by an experienced Tug Master, and a second Expert Committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce in 1926, at the request of the Harbour Master, to advise as to the "Orders of the Tug," recommended as follows:—"The appointment of a fully qualified European Master was considered essential."

The Government, however, decided that a Boarding Officer only could be made available to take command of the "Kau Sing."

It must be clear that tug-boat seamanship is of a highly specialised kind and requires a special training and natural aptitude. Until the "Kau Sing" has been properly tested under the command of a Master possessing such training and aptitude, it is hardly fair that she

should be condemned on the grounds of the difficulty of handling and manoeuvring her.

In response to requests, the Chamber of Commerce received from the Government, under dates May 23 and June 10, 1929, extracts from the log of the "Kau Sing," particulars of the qualifications and experience of the four officers who from time to time have had charge of the vessel, and statements by these officers giving their opinion as to how the tug handles.

One of these statements is dated 27.7.29; three others are dated 10.5.29. Between the four officers who, at various periods since the tug was launched, have had charge of the tug there is a striking conflict of opinion as to her steaming abilities. The relevant extracts from the log contain no statement to the effect that, under the described circumstances, the tug was not able to do what was required of her.

The tug masters' statements generally are inconclusive, being vitiated by the fact that none of them have had previous experience in the handling of tugs.

3. Diesel v. Steam Power

The attached comments show in detail the technical reasons why steam engines are more suitable for tugs than Diesel motor engines.

The question of the length of time taken to raise steam does not really enter into the case because the "Kau Sing," having been specially built for rescue work in typhoons, was designed on the assumption that there would be ample time for raising steam after the typhoon warning is received. It should be emphasised that she was not designed for any purpose for which quick steam-raising is required, and this is borne out by the terms of reference to the Chamber of Commerce Special Committee, as set out in a letter from the Government to the Chamber of Commerce, dated September 26, 1926, when the object of the proposed tug was stated to be "rescue work in the harbour during typhoon weather."

Further criticisms of the "Kau Sing" were heard after the "Hain Wah" went ashore and sank off Waglan on January 16, 1929, because the tug was not under steam and was unable to raise steam in time to go to the immediate assistance of the ship. As has been pointed out above, the "Kau Sing" was not designed for this kind of work; had the Government desired to use her for this purpose, she could have been made available by being kept under constant steam, ready to operate at a moment's notice.

The Committee trusts that this letter and attachment will serve to warn the public and the Authorities against lightly deciding that the "Kau Sing" is unsuitable for the purpose for which she was built. She has already, in the words of the Harbour Master after the typhoon of September 27, 1926, "justified her existence," and there is every reason to suppose that in experienced hands, she will prove satisfactory for the service for which she was designed.

Yours, etc.,

M. F. KEY,
Secretary

Hong Kong, July 2.

[The records as supplied by the Chamber will be published in succeeding issues of the "China Mail"]

SECOND TEST MATCH DRAWN

LIGHT STOPS PLAY

ENGLAND BOWLERS DO WELL IN LAST INNINGS

YORKSHIRE'S FIRST DEFEAT

For the second time, no decision has been reached this season in the cricket encounters in England between the Old Country and South Africa, the three-days' Test at Lord's ending yesterday in a draw. Out of the 293 runs required in the last innings for victory, South Africa made 90, had five men out and a sixth became a casualty. Incidentally, stumps were drawn before the ordinary hour on account of bad light. Otherwise, reading behind the lines of the cables, South Africa might have been rather hard pressed.

Two Centurions

As in their 1st innings, Mitchell, Christie and Morkel were the mainstay of the visitors' batting. Of the bowlers, R. W. V. Robins, the ex-Varsity Blue and Middlesex player, did best with three wickets. Prior to that, "Farmer" White, England's captain, had withheld the declaration until Maurice Tate, the Sussex professional bowler and hitter, had made his maiden century in Test cricket. Leyland of Yorkshire had reached three figures before Tate, and the partnership between these two placed England out of danger.

Other Matches

Four matches in the county championship were concluded yesterday and a fifth first-class game was played between Oxford and a selected team.

Kent created a sensation by inflicting on Yorkshire the latter's first defeat of the season, so that no county can now claim an "O" under the "lost" column in the table.

Kent's victory was by a very substantial margin. It gives the hop country 77 points and joint first place with Gloucester, who won the day before. Notably, the leaders till the last match, have been displaced because their 1st innings' lead (worth 5 points to 8 for a win outright) brings their total to 75. Details are given on page 9.

County Results

Kent beat Yorkshire an innings and 75 runs.
Leicestershire lost first innings points to Nottingham.
Derbyshire took first innings points from Essex.
Warwick beat Glamorgan by an innings and 247 runs.
Oxford University beat H. D. G. Leveson-Gower's XI by five wickets.

Nine Centurions

Storer (Derby) 209
L. Eastman (Essex) 169
R. E. S. Wyatt (Warwick) 150
Hardinge (Kent) 137
Woodley (Kent) 131
Bowden (Derby) 120
Brett (Oxford University) 106
Whysall (Notts) 104
Russell (Essex) 102

Bowling Performances

Freeman (Kent) 6 for 53
Smith (Leicester) 5 for 118
Rhodes (Yorkshire) 6 for 68
Wellings (Oxford University) 5 for 40
Mayer (Warwick) 5 for 48
Barratt (Notts) 5 for 53

The Test Match

When England declared, between the lunch and tea intervals, South Africa were 292 runs behind. As in the 1st innings, Catterall and Mitchell opened the batting. Catterall was bowled early by Tate. Mitchell and Christie were in a useful stand that helped to ward off defeat further away; the getting of nearly 300 runs in the time available appearing to be a very remote possibility.

Both Mitchell and Christie fell to Robins, who was in his first Test and had failed twice with the bat. Both batsmen were dismissed by the agile Hendren's catches.

Morkel was next in and he stayed until the end. Dalton was caught by the Varsity Blue, Killick, off Larwood, England's express bowler.

Query About O'Connor

Deane, the South African captain, was stumped by Duckworth, giving Robins his third victim. Cameron retired hurt before he had scored and then Owen-Smith partnered Morkel.

With the South African's score at 90, play was stopped on account of bad light. All the four England bowlers in the 2nd innings gave away comparatively few runs for the number of overs sent down, and the question strikes one, why was O'Connor, the Essex professional, not in the field?

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WATER SUPPLY

STORAGE IN ISLAND RESERVOIRS LOWER

INCREASE IN KOWLOON

We are officially informed that the total storage in the island reservoirs on Monday morning amounted to 175,547, showing a decrease of 2.08 million gallons during the past week; the amount collected from streams being 18.47 million gallons.

The week's consumption totals 27.21 million gallons and is made up as follows:—

From City Mains	20.55
From Taikeo	37
To Tanks	
From Lai Chi Kok	2.33
From Tsun Wan	2.28
From Steamers, etc.	1.53
	27.21

Kowloon Water Supply

The total storage in the main land reservoirs on Monday morning amounted to 114.27 million gallons showing an increase of 13.99 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption, excluding supplies to Hong Kong is

WATER SUPPLY HOURS

Victoria and high level districts:—

6 a.m. to 8 a.m.

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Sewer Road (Eastern Section only), Barker Road, Magazine Gap and Wanchai Districts:—

6 to 8 a.m. and 4 to 5 p.m.

Remainder of the Peak:—

6 to 9 a.m.

20.60 million gallons plus 0.11 from the Tsun Wan supply, making a total of 20.71 million gallons.

The yield from the Shing Mun River and streams during the week is 37.07 million gallons.

Storage

The following shows the amount in storage (million gallons) on the dates named:—

	Hong Kong	Mainland
April 22	326.33	136.81
" 29	327.25	117.44
May 6	311.72	121.65
" 13	309.34	125.34
" 20	283.97	115.90
" 27	261.03	102.18
June 3	237.50	87.98
" 10	212.71	85.61
" 17	192.76	80.51
" 24	177.62	100.28
July 1	175.54	114.27

Consumption

The following figures show the weekly consumption (million gallons) on the dates mentioned:—

	Hong Kong	Mainland
April 22	37.56	30.76
" 29	37.59	29.83
May 6	33.03	27.17
" 13	30.87	25.07
" 20	31.53	25.06
" 27	33.86	25.86
June 3	27.48	24.82
" 10	27.37	19.59
" 17	30.18	14.04
" 24	27.14	11.03
July 1	27.21	20.71

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To-day's rainfall 0.01 inch

1929 rainfall . . . 14.88 inches

Average . . . 40.42 inches

Deficit . . . 25.54 inches

DON'T WASTE WATER!

DUKE FOR HOME

STILL SUFFERING FROM HIS ACCIDENT

LEAVES QUEBEC

Quebec, Yesterday.

The Duke of Gloucester has sailed for Home. His arm is still in a sling, but he is rapidly recovering from his recent accident.

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LEAP INTO HARBOUR

A Chinese married woman named Yeung King (33), of No. 17, Lanchukok-road, attempted to commit suicide last night by jumping into the harbour from the Shamshui ferry launch whilst on a trip from Hong Kong.

She was rescued by the cook-boy employed on the launch, and on arrival at Shamshui, the Police removed her to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

BRITAIN'S TWO FINE SUCCESSES

IN TENNIS DOUBLES

BAD DAY FOR FRENCH PLAYERS AT WIMBLEDON

U.S.A.'S TURN TO WIN

Britain claimed two outstanding successes in a day of ups and downs and surprises at Wimbledon, in the lawn tennis championships, yesterday.

Dr. Gregory and Collins, who represent Britain in doubles in the Davis Cup, gave their admirers an anxious time but finished smiling. They overcame a strong French opposition in the men's doubles in Borotra who, in the absence of Rene Lacoste, is being partnered by M. Boussus. The Britons lost the first two sets after a close fight, and then won the last three sets with comparative ease to enter the semi-final.

Feller of Giants

The other British pair to deserve praise is Mrs. McQuham and Miss E. H. Harvey. The former, who is omitted from the "twelve ranking women players of Britain" by some experts, has proved herself indeed a feller of giants.

In the singles she beat Senorita Lili de Alvarez, last year's runner-up to Miss Helen Wills, and then lost in the next round. Now, in the doubles, she and her partner put paid to the joint account of Miss Wills and her American girl partner, Miss Edith Cross.

Eclipse of France

Whereas all the American competitors excepting Tilden have said goodbye to the singles, the six best trans-Atlantic players are still in the doubles. On the other hand, while the Frenchmen enjoyed triumph in the quarter-finals and semi-finals of the singles, they suffered eclipse in the doubles. Besides Borotra and Boussus already mentioned, Cochet and Brugnon have been beaten, losing in four sets to Allison and Van Ryn of America. Results cabled by Reuter:—

Men's Doubles

W. T. Tilden and F. T. Hunter (America) beat Baron von Kehring and Kleinschmidt 6-4, 8-6, 6-0.

Allison and Van Ryn (America) beat H. Cochet and J. Brugnon (France) 7-5, 8-6, 8-6, 8-6. The winners meet the other American pair, Tilden and Hunter, in the semi-final.

Lott and Hennessey (America) beat R. Lycett and J. D. P. Wheatley (Britain) 6-2, 6-3, 6-1. The winners enter the quarter-final.

Dr. J. C. Gregory and I. G. Collins (Britain) beat Jean Borotra and M. Boussus (France) 5-7, 4-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-2. The winners enter the semi-final.

Women's Doubles

Mrs. McQuham and Miss E. H. Harvey (Britain) beat Miss Helen Wills and Miss Cross (America) 6-4, 8-6, 6-3.

Miss Ryan (America) and Miss Betty Nuthall (Britain) beat Miss Sterry and Miss Joan Fry (Britain) 6-2, 6-1. The winners enter the semi-final.

Mixed Doubles

Farruharson and Miss Heine (South Africa) beat H. W. Austin and Miss Betty Nuthall (Britain) 6-3, 6-1. The winners are in the last sixteen.

F. E. Hunter and Miss Helen Wills (America) beat G. R. O. Crole-Rees and Mrs. Watson (Britain) 6-1, 6-4. The winners are in the quarter-finals.

Allison and Miss Helen Jacobs (America) beat David and Miss Round (Britain) 9-7, 6-4. This match was in the third round.

HOW MONEY GOES!

HUNDREDS SPENT ON PULLING DOWN MATCHES

RECOVERY THROUGH FINES?

Mr. W. E. Hollands of the P.W.D., this morning charged eight Chinese squatters, six men and two women, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, with trespassing on Crown land by erecting matchsheds on the hillside at Wongneichong, at the rear of the Dragon Motor Garage.

Defendants pleaded "guilty."

Mr. Hollands said that the matchsheds were pulled down by the P.W.D. on June 16 and they were up again on the 18th. This sort of thing had been going on for the past three years and the Government had spent hundreds of dollars pulling down the matchsheds.

The Magistrate imposed fines of \$10 or 14 days' jail, and warned the defendants that they would be fined very heavily if they were brought up again for a similar offence.

FIRMS SWINDLED

Two warrants have been issued for the arrest of a Chinese named Kwong Shek-yuen, on charges of obtaining goods from two local Chinese firms by means of forged documents.

The Yuen Cheung Loong firm, of No. 5, New Market street, was alleged to have been victimised to the extent of \$400 on June 24, whilst the Yuet Wah Loong firm of No. 288, Des Voeux road Central parted with goods worth \$1,000 on June 23.

HAUL OF SILK STOCKINGS

Wong Tai-wai, manager of the Wing Ngai knitting factory, Shamshui, Mongkok, reported to the Police yesterday that some time between 10.30 p.m. on Monday and 5 a.m. yesterday, a thief entered the factory by breaking open the back door. He removed 72 dozen pairs of ladies' silk stockings worth \$1,845.

LABOUR PREMIER SPEAKS

VISIT TO AMERICA

BUILD DISARMAMENT POLICY ON KELLOGG PACT

RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA

London, Yesterday.

In the absence of the Sovereign, Parliament was opened by the Royal Commissioners—Lord Sankey, Lord Kintore, Lord Southborough, Lord Davidson and Lord Denman being seated on a bench in front of the empty throne.

Many Labour members in the procession from the House of Commons to the House of Lords to hear the King's speech, wore red button-holes.

The Commons assembled in the afternoon, when the Minister of Health, Sir H. Hamar Greenwood, gave notice of the introduction of a bill to amend the law relating to widows and orphans' pensions.

The Attorney-General Sir W. Jowitt, amid Labourite cheers, gave notice that he would introduce a bill to amend the Trades Disputes Act.

Mr. Baldwin, in outlining the Conservative attitude towards the Government, said they would not offer factious opposition. They intended to assist the carrying on of Government but that demanded a certain amount of self-control on both sides. It was essential the country should face the world united. The most difficult question for settlement would arise on the Indian Statutory Commission's report, which would be the supreme acid and ultimate test.

Opposition Agree

The Prince of Wales and the Duke of York led the line of Peers, who signed the roll.

Earl Russell moved, and Earl De La Warr seconded the Address in Reply to the King's speech, regarding which Lord Salisbury, leader of the Opposition said there was very little in it with which the Conservatives could not cordially agree.

Salient Points

The House of Commons adjourned the debate on the Address after the speech of Mr. MacDonald, in which he stressed the necessity for a British-American understanding as being an essential preliminary to the success of the Government's disarmament policy. He promised a definite statement later as regards the reparations conference.

Mr. MacDonald also said the conditions on which Russia will be recognised remained as laid down in a published despatch to which the Government adhered. The Government would not renew any of the existing safeguarding duties and reserved the right to repeal them when practicable.

The King's Health

All the speakers in the debate on the Address referred with thankfulness to the recovery of the King whom the Labourite, Mr. Snell, in moving the Address in reply to the King's speech, described as not merely the Sovereign but the friend and chief servant of his people.

The Visit to America

Mr. Baldwin said he thoroughly approved of Mr. MacDonald's reported intention to visit America because both countries had suffered through the absence of personal intercourse between their statesmen.

Mr. MacDonald said that the Government's two dominating concerns were "unemployment, social betterment and peace and security by the cordial co-operation of nations." A better understanding with America was essential to the latter and he would make a definite statement later as regards the arrangements of his visit to America. He added that the conversations hitherto were purely of a preliminary and exploratory character as the recent relations of the two countries—which he hoped would co-operate in all good causes of the world—had not been too happy. Both were determined to change that.

Mr. MacDonald assured the country that no time was being lost as the Government was anxious to build a disarmament policy upon the Kellogg Pact. Both Governments would seek immediate co-operation with other great naval Powers but a preliminary British-American understanding was essential to success.

Britain's Burden

Referring to the proposed Reparations Conference of the Governments, Mr. MacDonald said the immediate question to be settled was the date and place of the Conference.

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BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.	
CHIFUKU MARU	Thursday, 4th July.
SHUNKO MARU	Friday, 19th July.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.	
PANAMA MARU	Sunday, 7th July.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
BORNEO MARU	Thursday, 18th July.
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ARIZONA MARU (From Shanghai)	Monday, 15th July.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	
BURMA MARU	Friday, 5th July.
HAIPHONG—Via Hanoi & Pakhoi.	
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	
HAVANA MARU	Wednesday, 17th July.
JAPAN PORTS.	
KASADO MARU	Monday, 8th July.
AMAZON MARU	Tuesday, 9th July.
BATAVIA MARU	Sunday, 14th July.
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.	
CANTON MARU	Sunday, 7th July 5 p.m.
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 14th July, 3 p.m.
YAKAO—Via Swatow & Amoy.	
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YAKAO & KEELUNG	
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SHIPPING SECTION.

SEAMEN'S UNION

FUSION NEGOTIATIONS NOW DENIED

London.—Following the suggestion which has been published of the fusion between two big trade unions—the National Union of Seamen and the Transport and General Workers' Union—a denial was issued, in an official communiqué to the Press by the Seamen's Union. The statement is as follows:—

"It was stated in the Press that within the next two months a definite step would be taken to bring one hundred thousand or more seamen in the National Union of Seamen within the Transport and General Workers' Union, and that a secret meeting of the parties, with authority to speak on behalf of each union, had been postponed until after the General Election.

"There is no truth whatever in the above statement. No negotiations, secret or otherwise, have taken place between the two unions. Neither are such negotiations likely to take place. The National Union of Seamen has no intention of amalgamating with the Transport and General Workers' Union or any other body."

"The statement is signed by Mr. W. R. Spence, the general secretary, for and on behalf of the executive of the council of the Seamen's Union."

Ex-Officials' Efforts

Mr. Spence, in an interview with a representative of "The Journal of Commerce," said that for some months efforts had been made to form a marine section of the Transport and General Workers' Union. "Several ex-officials of the National Union of Seamen," he said, "who were either discharged or resigned, have joined up with those concerned in the efforts."

"These men are endeavouring to start this section and to win the allegiance of our members for the Transport and General Workers' Union. The fees and contributions of this new section are a trifle lower than ours, and the promoters are promising the men all kinds of spurious improvements in their conditions, wages, and working, which we ourselves know would make it almost impossible for the shipping industry of the country to be run at a profit and survive."

"There is a joint conciliatory board called the National Maritime Board, half of which represents our shipowners and the other half ourselves and other affiliated maritime unions. Consequently there is no necessity for us to go out and beat the big drum and tell seamen what we are going to do, as all our grievances come before the board, and by negotiations we generally get what we are after."

"Although we are the largest seafaring union in the world, we have no representation whatever. Steps are being taken to rectify this position, and we hope that after the General Election we shall receive our proper recognition and representation in the forthcoming conference at Geneva. We are non-political, and have no political views—on the decision of our members at a national ballot. Consequently we are free agents, and we were disaffiliated from the T.U.C. on this ground. We have no quarrel with the T.U.C. or anyone else, but we do resent the T.U.C. backing up an attempt to disrupt the Seamen's Union."

"Not Anxious to Sink Identity"

In the course of an interview with a "Journal of Commerce" representative Mr. B. F. H. Mohr, Liverpool district secretary for the National Union of Seamen, made a categorical denial of any such negotiations. No secret meetings have taken place, and none is likely to take place, as the leaders of the seamen are not anxious to sink their identity. They do not intend to amalgamate with any union. The National Union of Seamen, thanks to the able guidance of the late Mr. Havelock Wilson, C.H., C.B.E., is today one of the wealthiest unions in the country.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The P. & O. s.s. "Morea" from Hong Kong arrived London on June 29 at 10 a.m.
The P. & O. s.s. "Morea" from Hong Kong arrived Marseilles on June 22 at 5.30 p.m.
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Kobe on July 2 (Tues.) at 8 a.m. and was due at Yokohama on July 3 (Wed.) at 7 a.m. She leaves Yokohama on July 4 (Thurs.) at 3 p.m.

BRITISH PORTS

PRESS CAMPAIGN AGAINST DOCK CHARGES

London, June 25.
The "Daily Express" has started a campaign to organise manufacturers, shipowners, and merchants, to secure a reduction of dock charges at British ports, and is attempting to induce Government to call a conference.—"Singapore Free Press"

TOURIST TRAFFIC

COMPARISON WITH PRE-WAR POSITION

American tourist travel to Europe has been showing a steady increase in the past three years, according to an analysis prepared by the Bank of American National Association. Between 1926 and 1928 the total number of passengers sailing from North American ports, the review says, increased about 17 per cent., and the season now beginning is expected to bring the 1929 total well above that of 1928.

A comparison with pre-war figures, however, shows that the gain has been more apparent than real. Post-war increases in travel have been confined largely to cabin-class tourists. These gains, moreover, have been largely at the expense of second and third-class travel and to a lesser extent of first-class. The total number of passengers carried in 1928 was nearly 200,000 smaller than in the years before the war.

"In 1928 first-class travel was lighter by about 7,000 passengers than before the war," the review continues. "The extent to which second-class travel has been affected by the introduction of the cabin class is seen in the decline from the pre-war total of 125,000 to less than 49,000 second-class passengers last year."

"As compared with figures for 1913, when eastbound traffic was at its height, and second-class passengers numbered 141,400, the decline is even more marked. The total of cabin and second-class passengers combined amounted only to 130,800 in 1928. Rates for cabin and second-class passages are the same. The distinction between the two lies in the fact that boats which carry no first-class, second-class is designated as cabin class."

"The most striking decline has, of course, been in third-class travel, which has dropped from the pre-war average of 461,500 to 170,000 passengers in 1928. Even when tourist is included with third-class, in the latter year, bringing the total up to about 275,000, there has been a decline as compared with pre-war third-class of a little more than 40 per cent."

"That American tourist travel does not represent as large a movement as is generally supposed is revealed in a further analysis of the total of 608,000 eastbound passengers carried in 1928. Of this number only about 32 per cent were Americans, 11 per cent were Canadians, 23 per cent returning aliens and 9 per cent visitors to America. American tourists spent \$900,000,000 abroad in 1928, as compared with expenditures of \$770,000,000 in 1927, and \$709,000,000 in 1926."

TOURIST TRAFFIC

THE UNITED STATES—FRENCH VISA AGREEMENT

The agreement between the Government of France and the United States for a reduction of the passport visa fee from \$10 to \$2 should result in a material gain in tourist traffic between United States and Europe, according to Mr. H. Lachaux-Henry, general passenger manager of the French Line, state New York advices.

"An important feature of the change," he said, "is that the life of the passport has been extended to two years, giving the holder the right to visit France as often as he desires during the two-year period without incurring any loss of time or additional expense for renewal of visa."

"The \$10 fee has been a serious burden for travellers, especially when four or five members of a family have been travelling together, and when extra fees have had to be paid for visas at the various European frontiers. Many tourists have to figure their expenses rather closely, and to them the passport item has loomed very large."

"We are looking forward to increased tourist bookings as a result of the change, and it may be expected that similar reductions will be made by other Governments with a view to stimulating tourist traffic within the borders of their own countries."

Mr. J. S. Mahool, passenger traffic manager of the International Mercantile Marine Co., declared the reduction to be a move in the right direction. "We feel," he said, "that the visa charge was a war measure and should have been rescinded long ago. I believe the reduction of the French visa fee will stimulate traffic. It is to be hoped that the other governments will follow suit. The extra charge is a real hardship on passengers and its abolition or reduction will certainly serve to bring about better feeling on the part of tourists."

Germany, Italy, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Sweden, and Switzerland make no charges for visas on passports of American tourists. Moderate charges are levied by Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Greece, Great Britain, and the Irish Free State. Norway, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Rumania and Greece make a charge of \$10, and Turkey charges \$5 for visas.

WHALE WEALTH

BRITAIN TO SHARE IN A PROFITABLE INDUSTRY

ANOTHER VENTURE

The announcement of yet another whaling venture backed by British capital gives further indication of Britain's growing interest in the industry, and, according to a leading whale-oil broker, of British determination to share in the big profits involved. Some idea of the magnitude of these may be gathered from the fact that three Norwegian vessels recently returned to their base with more than £1,000,000 worth of oil abroad.

"It seems tragic," said Mr. A. J. D. Smellie (of Messrs. McLeod, King, Robinson and Co.), whose firm was the official British Government agency for whale oil during the war, "that British sailors, who founded the whaling industry, should have dropped out of it just at the beginning of its most profitable period."

"Only last year," he said, "Admiral Evans, the Antarctic explorer, stressed the importance of the whaling industry as an outlet for British capital and as a source of employment not only for our ex-naval officers and men but also for our shipbuilding trades. He complained that we had sat still while the Norwegians wrested from us an industry that is now bringing them millions of pounds."

"On the other hand, I think it is to the credit of the Norwegians that, while British seamen were forgetting all they ever knew about whaling, the Norwegians themselves were putting the industry on a sound commercial footing."

Science and modern appliances have been brought to their aid by the Norwegians at every turn, both for "spotting" and killing and treating the whale. Aeroplanes are likely to be used for observation purposes in the near future, and experiments are being made with apparatus intended to the whale by passing an electric current along the wire attached to the harpoon. By means of plant and machinery installed in the vessel itself, a modern "floating factory" can now extract 1,600 barrels of oil a day, as compared with 60 or 70 barrels extracted in three or four days by earlier craft.

Since 1918 the Norwegian whaling fleet has increased at a remarkable rate. It now numbers 100 vessels, including 23 "floating factories," and 48 additional vessels will be ready before the beginning of next season. The present tank capacity of the fleet exceeds 1,000,000 barrels, and nearly 6,000 Norwegian seamen take part in the whaling expeditions.

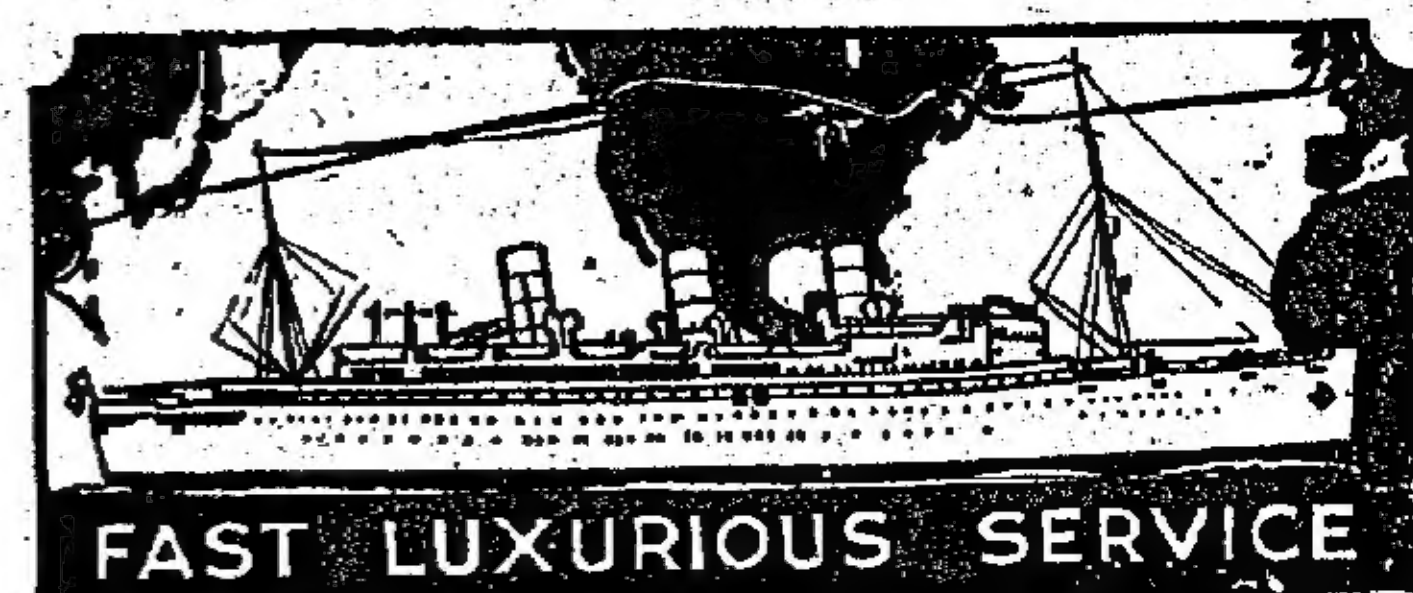
"Increased whaling activities during recent years," said Mr. Smellie, "have had the curious effect of increasing the number of whales and improving the individuals both in quality and size. This is probably due to the killing off of old bull-whales who formerly kept their younger rivals away from the cows. This is only another version of the old sportsman's policy of destroying old cock pheasants to improve the breed."

"It certainly looks," Mr. Smellie concluded, "as though the ideal combination in whaling enterprise must be Anglo-Norwegian—British capital and British built ships manned by Norwegian crews. Whaling will always be one of the most arduous and rigorous of trades, but the adventure is great, and the reward high."

SHORTAGE OF HANDY STEAMERS

Charterers in the freight market are again complaining of a shortage of handy boats of between 4,000 and 5,500 tons d.w. Such boats are not now being built in any number, and just lately a good many of that size have been taken up on time charter. Hence the scarcity, which rather goes to show that the building of large boats has been overdone, while that of the handier vessels has been neglected. There are certain reasons for this. Vessels of this medium size only are suitable, but as they are not so economical to run as the larger ships owners require some inducement to build them in the form of rates commensurate to their size.

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NORWEGIAN WHALING FLEET

In February, 1928, the Norwegian whaling fleet consisted of 23 refineries of 131,061 gross tons, and 117 whalers of 22,613 gross tons. In August, 1928, it consisted of 26 refineries of 155,007 gross tons and 125 whalers of 24,560 gross tons.

SHIP-REPAIRING ANOMALIES

It is well enough known that ship-repairing costs vary a good deal in the different districts in Britain, but the anomaly referred to by Sir John Latta at the annual meeting of the Nitrate Producers Steam Shipping Company is so glaring that it is very difficult to explain it away. Recently, he said, they had a steamer in Wales requiring repairs. They received tenders from Welsh firms and the lowest was £220. This figure appearing to be excessive, they solicited tenders from Tyne firms, who appeared to do precisely the same work for £240! Although the deviation to the Tyne and back to South Wales meant over 1,400 miles steaming, it paid them to undertake it. It is, of course, no new thing to send important repair jobs from Wales to the North East Coast, but the difference in the tenders in this case is surely unique. Sir John Latta blames labour—and politics—for it. Is he right?

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AN IMPOSSIBLE SITUATION

Details of the proposal readjustment of the capital of the International Mercantile Marine Co. by issuing 720,000 shares of new no par stock, to be exchanged for the outstanding shares on the basis of one share of new stock plus \$20 in cash for each share of old preferred and one-fifth share of new stock for each share of the old common stock are contained in a letter addressed to the stockholders by Mr. P. A. S. Franklin, president of the company.

The plan provides for reduction of the capital of the company from \$120,000,000 to \$30,000,000 by substituting the new no par shares for the existing issues of 600,000 shares of \$100 par preferred and 600,000 shares of \$100 par common and amending the certificate of incorporation.

The letter to the stockholders lays stress upon the impossibility of making any payment of accrued dividends until the existing deficit of \$90,000,000 has been made up. It is stated that dissolution of the company may be resorted to in the event of rejection of the proposed plan.

"This plan," said Mr. Franklin, "is absolutely fair to holders of both classes of stock. It will make a live, going concern out of a company which is now facing an impossible situation. I believe that every shareholder who will talk the matter over with us will be convinced that the present plan is the best that can be devised, and will be for the best interest of all concerned."

"We have gone ahead and built three of the largest passenger ships ever built in the United States, and we hope to carry out further development work when the capital structure of the company has been placed on a sound and workable basis as proposed."

Court's Decision

In his letter to the stockholders, Mr. Franklin, after reviewing the defeat of the recapitalisation plan of 1927 by court action, brought by a minority group after the plan had been ratified by the stockholders by a vote of more than 700,000 shares, while less than 2,500 shares were recorded in opposition, quotes the statement made by the court in issuing the restraining order, as follows:

"There is thus presented the familiar situation created by a very meagre minority objecting to the efforts of the managers of an unfortunate industrial corporation to extricate it from an unsatisfactory financial condition. There is no suggestion of fraud levelled at the action of the board of directors, but, in fact, an express avowal of confidence on the part of the complainants in the good faith of the managers of the company in proposing this new plan of capitalisation."

"It clearly was their duty to make every effort to end this impossible condition of affairs, and that their intentions should be above suspicion is apparent from the fact that although the situation has been discussed on innumerable occasions no one has been able to formulate a feasible proposal that would be more desirable, as well as from the fact that about 99 per cent. of the preferred stock represented at the meeting was voted in favour."

The Deficit

"Since the court decision above referred to," Mr. Franklin writes, "satisfactory progress has been made in adjusting with the United States Government the question of the extent of the liability of your company for taxes, and the fact that your company has not, since the sale of the White Star Line, been required to maintain so large a working capital, make available each which heretofore could not have been prudently taken from the company and working capital of the company."

"The company's operations during the year 1928, after making certain adjustments from reserves, will show some improvements over the results for the year 1927, and its cash position strong, but its consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 1928, shows a capital impairment (deficit) of about \$29,000,000."

"This condition prohibits the directors from legally applying any available cash toward the payment of the accrued dividends on the preferred stock, and even if the company's operations in the future were as successful as could reasonably be expected, it is not possible to hold out any encouragement that this capital impairment could be made good for many years, and until it is, no dividends can be declared."

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"The plan substantially is this: To retire the existing Preferred and Common stock, and in lieu of both issues, provide for the issuance by the company of 720,000 shares of no par stock, all of which shares will be used for the purposes below mentioned."

"It is proposed that each Preferred stockholder shall surrender his shares of stock and relinquish his rights to all accrued dividends thereon, and in return therefor receive \$20 per share in cash, and one share of the new no par stock for each share of present Preferred stock surrendered; and that each holder of the present Common stock shall surrender his shares and receive in lieu thereof one-fifth of a share of the new no par stock for each present Common share surrendered, so that each Preferred stockholder shall receive for one share of present Preferred stock \$20 cash, one share new no par

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T'au via S'hai & S'hai	HOSANG	Wed., 10th July at 10 a.m.
T'au via S'hai & S'hai	YATSHING	Sun., 14th July at 10 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & KUTSANG		Fri., 12th July at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & NAMSANG		Thurs., 18th July at 10 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kube	YUENSANG	Sun., 28th July at 7 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Thurs., 11th July at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	HOSANG	Sat., 20th July at 3 p.m.
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The contract for repairs to the Irish American oil tanker "Queen Talia" has been secured by the Middle Docks Engineering Co. Ltd., South Shields, in face of keen competition. The vessel has arrived in the Tyne, and it is expected that the repair work will extend over a fortnight.

Twenty-two vessels aggregating 44,423 tons gross were launched on the Clyde in May compared with 19 vessels of 28,434 tons in April 1928.

HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888 and 1889. The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small. The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

June 28 to July 4, 1929.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWER WATER
	Standard Times	Standard Times
Fri. 28	3 14 3.7	5 5 3.6
Sat. 29	0 0 0.2	8 34 1.4
Sat. 29	3 30 3.9	6 24 3.7
Sun. 30	1 23 6.7	9 20 1.7
Sun. 30	4 22 4.3	6 31 3.7
Mon. 1	2 49 5.2	10 6 2.0
Mon. 1	5 4 4.6	10 52 3.3
Tues. 2	5 53 5.4	0 3 2.6
Tues. 2	8 54 4.4	11 31 2.5
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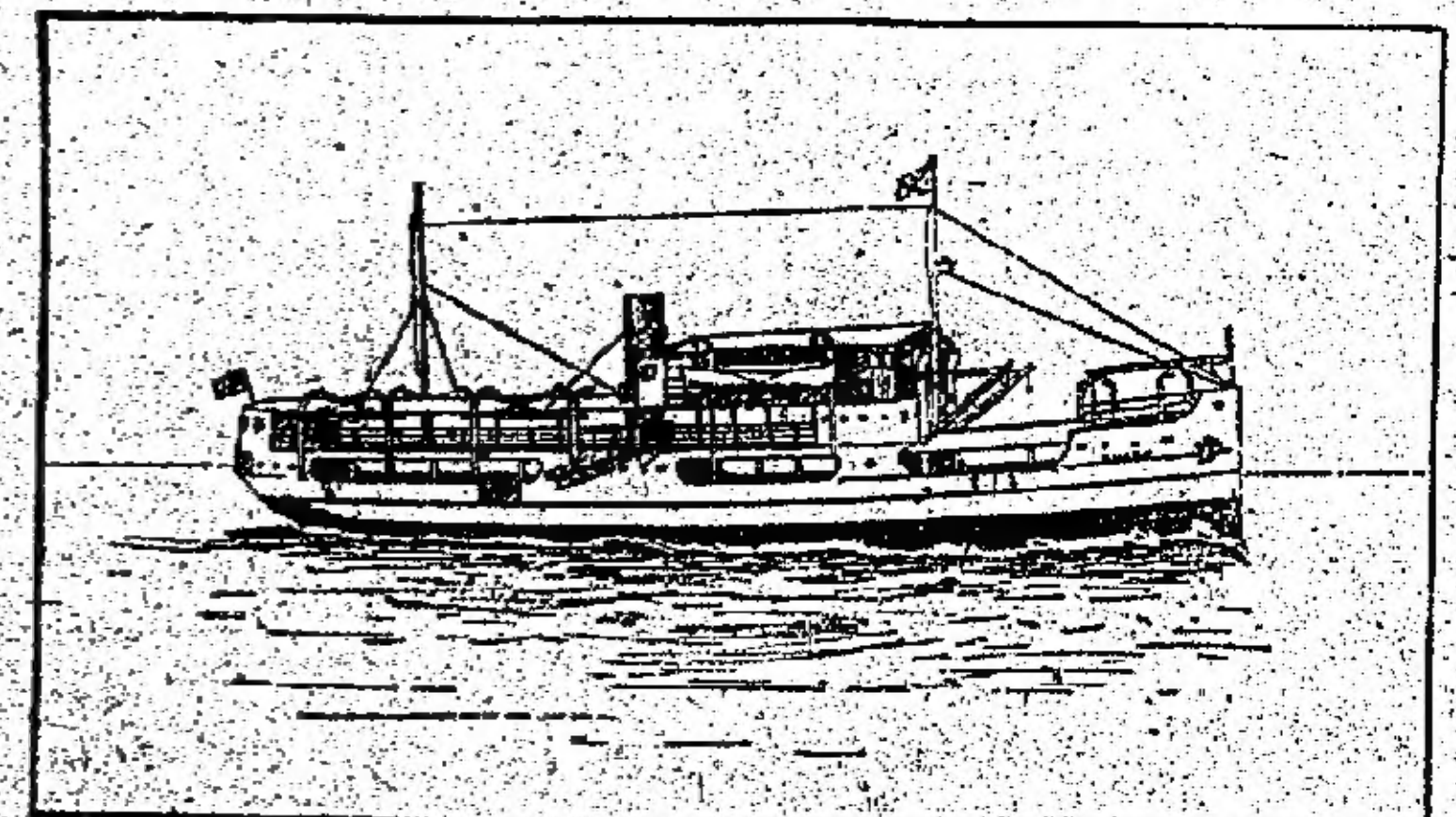
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2, at the Victoria Hospital, to
Lillian, the wife of A.
Urquhart, a son.

Hong Kong, Wednesday, July 3, 1929.

DEBATE ON KING'S SPEECH

Perhaps the most interesting statement regarding the King's speech was the observation made by Lord Salisbury, the leader of the Opposition in the House of Lords, that there was nothing in it with which the Conservatives were unlikely to agree most cordially. Considering the fact that the speech in question was written by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and was, of course, merely a statement of the Labour Government's policy, the noble Lord's observation was very remarkable. If the "cordiality" referred to continues, then the new Government will have a happier existence than most of its predecessors, particularly those unlucky enough to be in that "minority" to which the Prime Minister referred. There is little indeed in the King's speech indicating that the Government are contemplating "revolutionary" legislation, and so long as they keep within reasonable limits (from the point of view of the Conservatives and Liberals) that unity mentioned by Mr. Baldwin and absence of rivalry, to which Mr. MacDonald referred, may possibly be present both in the Lords and Commons, the Government, it is plain, are fully aware that a combination of these factors could easily bring its career to an end, and therefore Mr. MacDonald naively suggests or proposes to banish "rivalry" and make Parliament a kind of

consultative body. It seems almost like sounding the death knell of the Party system. But neither the Conservatives nor the Liberals are likely to be much impressed by such altruism. At least, not at present.

So far as the Government have divulged their intentions, there does not appear to be much that is likely to lead to friction. But the present Parliament and Government are both in a very callow stage at present. Time will tell. The ironic cheers which greeted the reference to the Government's intention not to repudiate or interfere with obligations already entered into in the country's name, was eloquent of what may yet be in store for them. Mr. MacDonald's reference to the financial burdens borne by Great Britain, in consequence of the war settlement, will evoke no Party animosity. It seems, however, to be more indicative of patriotism than statesmanship, and it may safely be assumed that any serious deviation from the policy already laid down regarding those obligations will lead, at least to bitter controversy. What France will think of Mr. MacDonald's remarks will be well worth waiting for.

Unquestionably, the new Government have started well and wisely. They are obviously acting with extreme discretion, and evidently are aiming at a longer existence than fell to their lot in 1924. The reference to Great Britain's proposed relations with Russia was as vague as the observations on the safeguarding of industries were plain. The new Government are evidently Free Traders to the core. Mr. Baldwin's sagacious reference to the Conservatives' intention to eschew "factional opposition" and his pointed statement with regard to India and the Simon Commission's report are both fertile of what we may expect at least in the near future. The problem of India is to be the Government's "acid test," according to Mr. Baldwin, but judging by Mr. MacDonald's observations on the problem, not even with regard to India is the Government likely to be "revolutionary." The Prime Minister's statement will be bitterly resented by the Indian extremists, but that it is sound will be the opinion generally held. The new Government has launched its policy with extreme discretion, and as discretion is proverbially regarded as the better part of valour, we shall await developments in Parliament with increased interest.

KING'S SPEECH

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for which Great Britain had suggested London. A definite statement was at present impossible. The Dawes Plan must be replaced by some new agreement. He often felt that Great Britain's meticulous rectitude in fulfilling her obligations was not so much recognised as it should be. "We are bearing burdens which, in strict rectitude and in relation to the capacity of others, should not be imposed on us (Labourite Cheers) and we shall not go back on any of our contracts (Ironie Opposition Cheers) but we shall, in future arrangements not forget that the just business and interests of our nation cannot be sacrificed." (Labourite Cheers).

Relations With Russia
Replying to a question with regard to the conditions in which Russia would be recognised, Mr. MacDonald said the conditions remained as laid down in a published despatch. The Government stood by those conditions.

Turning to home affairs, Mr. MacDonald said as regards "safeguarding" they had, on coming into office, received a report from the wool industry, which they proposed to publish, but did not intend to put into operation. They also proposed to treat as a dead-letter the "White Paper" detailing conditions for the establishing of safeguarding. Enquiries to the electorate had just expressed overwhelming opposition to protective duties and the Government did not intend to renew the existing safeguarding duties. They reserved the right to repeal them before the statutory period of their operation expired.

Action with regard to the coalfields could not be long delayed, and the Government were consulting all the interests with a view to producing measures that would not be a temporary patchwork but which would put the industry on an up-to-date and efficient footing.

The Electorate
Referring to the paragraph in the King's Speech on the subject of elections, Mr. MacDonald said that the Government stood for Constitutional Democracy. He doubted whether some developments, like the relaying of speeches to 20 or 30 constituencies, made for democratic security.

There was also the question of the representative result of elections. Some favoured second ballots, some proportional representation and terms of reference. The proposed inquiry would therefore be wide and comprehensive.

Government's Minority
The Prime Minister concluded by stating that the Government recognised that it was in a minority, if other sections of the House combined to defeat it. Therefore, the Government's work would be done largely in a spirit of consultation and not of rivalry.

Problem of India
Mr. MacDonald said the King's Speech from the Throne did not mention India because exploration was still proceeding. He regretted that influential opinion in India had not been favourable to the Simon Commission and he appealed to that opinion to reconsider the situation and help us to give a happy and beneficial solution to a very difficult problem. [Earlier reports in regard to the King's Speech will be found on page 7.]

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming weddings have been filed with the Registrar of marriages:—
Mr. James Raper, Swanley, Foreman shipbuilder, of Kowloon Docks, to Miss Janet Bell, Paul of Dumbreck House, Glasgow.
Mr. Peter Alban Dragon, teacher at the Wah Yan College and living at 21 Battery Path, to Miss Bernice Ishmaeline Chennally, of 36 Calne Road.

LORD REVELSTOCKE

London, June 25.
Lord Revelstocke left £2,492,312. He bequeathed £175,000 to hospitals, and seven of his famous collection of pictures of public museums.—"Singapore Free Press."

A warrant which was issued on June 4, was executed on board the S.S. "Porphyra" yesterday, when a Chinese named Wong Cho-on (38), described as a partner in the firm of Kwong Ah Co. Ltd., of No. 6, Wing Lok street, was taken into custody on a charge of the alleged embezzlement of \$20,578.24, the property of the firm. Wong was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, this morning, and remanded for a week.

Inspector W. Shannon executed an arrest warrant at No. 15, Reclamation street, Yau-mat, yesterday. He seized two daggers, and arrested five men and a woman.

CORRESPONDENCE**THE WATER PROBLEM**

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—As the Legislative Council has adjourned sine die, I am writing to the Press.

One of the outstanding finance factors relating to our water problem is the extreme costliness of stop-gap methods which provide purely temporary relief as contrasted with permanent relief.

Bearing the above point in view, the Government statement with regard to "permanent measures" to be "taken to increase the supply" (announced by the Honourable Director of Public Works in Council on June 20) cannot be regarded as satisfactory in the following respects, namely:—

1.—Paragraph 3 of such permanent measures reads thus:—
"The Dragon's Back and Mount Pottinger catchwaters have been investigated and preliminary drawings prepared. The minimum yield from areas intercepted by these catchwaters is estimated at 1½ million gallons a day. Construction work can be commenced next year if sufficient staff is available."

This statement does not seem satisfactory. Surely complete drawings should be prepared and construction commenced this year, if possible.

If the Government has not got sufficient staff of its own, then the services of an outside engineer in some architects' firm should be employed, as was done 30 years ago, when, for the construction of the big reservoir at Kowloon, the services of Mr. Lawrence Gibbs (then in the firm of Denton, Barn and Gibbs) were retained for such construction.

Also in connection with the subject of the making of catchwaters to drain into Tyam Tuk Reservoir, one would like to know why the additional catchwaters to drain into that reservoir, namely, Mount Parker and Tyam Tuk East, which are recommended by Mr. Henderson in his report of February 20, 1928, (see the third paragraph on page 10 of Sessional Paper No. 4 of 1928), are not to be proceeded with now. Surely here again, if shortage of staff is the difficulty, the services of a non-Government engineer could and should be retained.

2.—Then we come to paragraph 6 of the Government's "permanent measures" which read as follows:—
"Investigation of the further sections of the Shing Mun Valley Scheme is proceeding. The Gorge Dam at Pineapple Pass appears to be feasible and preliminary investigations of Gin Drinkers Bay, where there is a very large basin capable of impounding fully 2,000 million gallons, have turned out well. Considerable preliminary work is, however, necessary before works of this magnitude can be commenced."

Surely it is most important to accelerate these preliminary investigations and preliminary work by employing, if necessary, engineers outside of the Government Service, more especially as, if I correctly understand Mr. Henderson's remarks in his said report, the other proposals both in Hong Kong and Kowloon, when complete would bring the total supply of the colony only up to 16½ millions a day, i.e. only to our estimated requirements in 1932.

In quoting from Mr. Henderson's remarks, I have interpolated the word "only" in two places, for the purpose of emphasising my point, namely, that we must speed up our "permanent measures," in order to prevent being caught napping again in a few years' time.

3.—In his said report Mr. Henderson also says:—
"To cope with the increased consumption, a consistent annual programme of main laying and distribution improvement is necessary both on the Island and the Mainland. Balance Tanks at North Point and Kowloon City are becoming urgent necessities."

These points are not dealt with in the Government's above statement, and probably the public would like to be supplied with answers to the following questions:—

Has such a consistent annual programme of main laying and distribution improvement been drawn up, and is it being carried out? Are balance tanks at North Point and Kowloon City being put in hand?

In conclusion, it may be confidently stated that the Government can fully reckon upon the hearty support of all sections of the community in putting our water supply and its distribution upon a satisfactory permanent basis, in order to meet our full requirements, without any restrictions as to supply even in dry seasons, for the next 25 years.

Yours, etc.,

H. E. POZIOCK.

Hong Kong, July 2, 1929.

WOMEN'S SERVICE**FRIENDLY CENTRE TO BE OPENED TO-MORROW****OBJECTS EXPLAINED**

To-morrow a friendly centre for business women will be opened in the Chater Bungalow, Kowloon, under the auspices of the Friendly League for Christian Service. The centre will be open to women of any nationality or creed, the object being the emancipation of women.

On the occasion of the opening to-morrow Mrs. Jaffray will be "At Home" to any Americans who wish to call. The calendar of activities will be made known as soon as possible.

The centre is being launched on a voluntary contribution basis and in connection with a Women's Exchange, where industrial work from any institution can be exhibited and sold on commission. It will also afford an avenue for women wishing to put any domestic

P'RAPs**P'RAPs NOT!**

An Aberdeen man spent a holiday with his sweetheart up Deeside. That was all he spent.

"Jim's going to take out a fire insurance policy for himself."

"You mean life insurance?"
"No, I don't, I mean fire." "E's been insured three times in the last six weeks!"

Irish Magistrate: The defendant swears he was perfectly sober.

Policeman: He was absolutely intoxicated. If he had been perfectly sober he would have known he was drunk and not made a disturbance.

Judge: If you could not afford to pay for it, why did you insist on having the very best wine in the restaurant?

Accused: Well, I said to myself, "I can't pay in any case, so why not have the best?"

Mother (to her small son)—Willie, I hear you were caned to-day at school. What was that for?

Willie: Well, mummy, you see, teacher told us to write an essay on the result of laziness, and I sent in a blank page.

Bride: My husband had a hope chest, too, before we were married. Neighbour: For mercy sakes! What was in it?

Bride: A bushel of socks—he hoped some one would darn 'em.

"So they have found that swindler the police have wanted."

"Yes, he went to an hotel and said he was an American; he sat down and didn't drink alcohol, so the manager got suspicious."

A political canvasser, after spending 20 minutes on a doorstep dilating on the glories of his party, asked the woman of the house if she thought it would be any use his calling again when her husband was at home.

"No," was the unexpected reply, "You see, we are already insured with one company."

The bumptious young man was trying to create an impression at a party.

"Oh, yes," he said, to a woman guest "I am something of a thought-reader, I can tell just what a person is thinking."

"Really," she said. "Then I beg your pardon. I had no intention of hurting your feelings."

Their true love had not been running with quite so much smoothness as it used to do. But now their quarrel had been made up, and she was in his arms again.

"Oh, Rupert," she said, "I was wrong to treat you as I did. You'll forgive me, won't you, for being so angry with you all last week?"

He nodded eagerly.

"Of course, darling," he said. "I don't mind a bit. I saved over three pounds while we weren't on speaking terms."

The young man was in a tearing hurry. He flung himself into a passing taxi. "Drive like fury!" he yelled to the driver.

"All right," said the man, and shot off.

They turned corners at a terrific speed, and escaped collisions by a miracle.

After about ten minutes the young man put his head out of the window.

"Where are you driving to?" he asked.

"I don't know," replied the driver; "you haven't told me yet."

Patient (at lunatic asylum): We like you better than the last doctor.

New doctor (flattered): How is that?

Patient: You seem more like one of us.

Josephine (reading conclusion of long letter): Then I will come home and marry the sweetest little girl on earth.

Juliet: What a mean trick! After being engaged to you!

First Trout—"You should have seen the worm that I caught to-day."

Second Trout—"Yes, but the one I had and got away from me was the biggest that I ever saw in my life."

tic talent and ability into operation.

A Council of Women is being formed to work in co-operation with existing institutions and societies, the intention being not to overlap but to supplement work. It is hoped to reach the Mrs. Tai and other classes of helpless women and girls; at the same time serving foreign women missionaries and business women in whatever capacity the centre can be helpful and friendly.

DEBATE ON KING'S SPEECH

NO "RIVALRY"
INDUSTRY TO BE "UP-TO-DATE"
AND EFFICIENT

RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA

London, Yesterday.
The King's Speech on the opening of Parliament states: "While I regret it is impossible to address you in person, I thank Almighty God that I can look forward confidently to that complete restoration of health for which the prayers of my people all over the Empire, with sympathy and affection which call forth my deepest gratitude, were offered during the months of my long, serious illness."

"My relations with foreign Powers continue friendly."

Reparations

"Independent financial experts appointed to draw up proposals for a complete, definitive settlement of the German reparations problem presented a unanimous report which my Government at present is considering, in preparation for a conference of representatives of the Governments concerned. The settlement of this problem will enable the occupying Powers to proceed with the evacuation of the Rhineland."

Peace and Disarmament

"Conversations have been commenced with the Ambassador for the United States with regard to naval disarmament, in consequence of which my Government earnestly hopes to ensure, in co-operation with my Governments of the Dominions, the Government of India and the Governments of the foreign Powers, an early reduction of armaments all over the world."

"My Government considers that the time has come to submit to judicial settlement international disputes in which the parties are in conflict with regard to respective rights. For this purpose, they are now consulting my Governments of the Dominions and the Government of India with regard to the signing of an optional clause embodied in the statute of the Permanent Court of International Justice."

With Russia

"My Government is examining the conditions under which diplomatic relations with the Government of the Union of Soviet Republics may be resumed, and is communicating with my Governments of the Dominions and the Government of India on the subject."

Unemployment

"It will be the foremost endeavour of my Ministers to deal effectively with the continuing evil of unemployment. Schemes are being prepared for the improvement of means of transport, the stimulation of depressed export trades, economic development of my overseas dependencies, improvement of the condition of agriculture, encouragement of the fishing industry and improvement in the facilities for marketing farm and fishery outputs."

"In co-operation with my Governments of the Dominions, measures are being considered with the object of providing greater opportunities for overseas migration."

"My Government is considering the question of reorganisation of the coal industry, including hours and other factors, and as to ownership of minerals. Proposals to this end will be submitted in due course."

"Inquiries will be undertaken immediately as to the condition of the iron, steel and cotton industries, in order to discover means for co-operating with them to improve their position in markets of the world."

Factory Legislation

"Bills will be submitted amending and consolidating the existing factory legislation, and giving effect to the obligations entered into at Washington in 1919."

"My Ministers propose to introduce legislation to promote an extensive policy of slum clearance, and to make further provision for housing in urban and rural areas. My Ministers have decided that the time has come to investigate the whole field of legislation relating to the sale and supply of intoxicating liquor, and on their recommendation I propose shortly to appoint commissioners for this purpose."

"My Ministers are engaged in a general survey of various national insurance and pensions schemes. Meanwhile, a Bill is being prepared to amend the Widows and Orphans and Old Age Pensions Act of 1925, and so to modify the conditions applicable to certain pensions as to make some increase in the classes of persons entitled thereto."

"A measure will be introduced to remedy the situation created by the Trade Disputes and Trade Unions Act of 1927."

The extended franchise

"The extended franchise at the recent general election has placed in the hands of the whole of my people of adult years a grave responsibility for guarding the well-being of the nation as a constitutional democracy. My Government proposes to institute an examination into the experiences of the election in order that the working of the law relating to Parliamentary elections may be brought into conformity with the new conditions."—Reuter.

A DENIAL

Washington, Yesterday.
Mr. Andrew Mellon, Secretary to the Treasury, emphatically denied that the Treasury were contemplating the erection of a run-running barbed-wire fence along the Canadian border. Reuter's American Service.

Portsmouth Naval Command was transferred recently from Admiral Sir Osmond Brock to Admiral Sir Roger Keyes.

CANTON ITEMS

INCREASES IN PASSENGER TRAFFIC

REVENUE-RAISING IDEAS

Canton, Yesterday.
In spite of the business slump both in Canton and Wuchow, the principal ports of the Liang (two) Kwang provinces—Kwangtung and Kwangsi—still report heavy passenger traffic.

The reduction of fares in the competition between the steamship companies in Hong Kong may be one of the factors leading to the increased volume of river passengers. First-class passengers have been numerous and this has been attributed to the incoming and outgoing of the official class following each crisis.

Syndicates Planned

One of the main reasons for the increase of traffic is said to be the expected re-introduction of miscellaneous forms of revenue-producing in certain South China cities; and many of the "farmers" of taxes and "monopoly controllers" who have their homes in Hong Kong and Macao are now travelling back and forth attempting to form syndicates to get hold of some of these concessions.

Since July 1, Canton has been meatless owing to butchers opposing the payment of more taxes to "monopolists."—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Objects of Art

Canton University has added to its collection of antique specimens a number of old Chinese objects of art, consisting of brass buddhas and landscape paintings and writings, which were brought down yesterday from Peking by the University's representatives sent specially to collect them.

The paintings and writings are believed to date back to the Tang and Chin dynasties, between A.D. 618 and 936. These specimens of ancient art will be put at the disposal of post-graduate students for advance research work, it is learned.

Canton-Kowloon Railway

In an interview with the General Manager of the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese Section), it is learned that the recent report about the wrongful dismissal and transfer of railway employees was absolutely baseless. It appears that the Management, having decided to do away with the motor launch service, gave the mechanic and crew a month's notice to leave. There was some misunderstanding on the part of the men, which circumstances gave rise to the rumour of a threatened strike as reported previously. — Canton News Agency.

JAPAN'S CABINET

NEW PREMIER AND HIS COLLEAGUES

STATEMENT BY EX-PREMIER

Tokyo, Yesterday.

It is reliably learned that the following have agreed to enter the new Cabinet:

Baron Kijuro Shidehara, Minister for Foreign Affairs.
Mr. Kenzo Adachi, Home Office.
Admiral Hyo Takarabe, Minister of the Navy.
General Isset Ugaki, Minister for War.

Mr. Junnosuke Inouye, Minister of Finance.
Mr. Chuji Machida, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry.
Mr. Genji Matsuda, Minister of Overseas Affairs.

Viscount Chifuyu Watanabe, Minister of Justice.
Mr. Ichio Kobashi, Minister of Education.
Mr. Matajro Kozumi, Minister of Communications.

Mr. Mago-ichi Tawara, Minister of Commerce and Industry.
Mr. Yoku Egi, Minister of Railways.
Mr. Hamaguchi has proceeded to the Palace with the indies for the Emperor's approval.

Business Circles Pleased
Business circles appear pleased with the change of Cabinet, and are hopeful that it will hasten the lifting of the gold embargo, effect a thorough readjustment of State loans, and instigate financial retrenchment.

Those interested in the China trade think that the new Ministry will take to heart the lesson that the former Shidehara policy failed because it was too soft; Tanaka's because it was too stiff; therefore they will steer a middle course.

Mr. Tokonami, commenting on the change, emphasised the virtual necessity of the new Government dissolving the Diet in the coming session for the purpose of seeking a majority in the Lower House.

He intimated that he and other interested circles will attempt to effect an amalgamation of minor political parties.

The Cabinet is being installed at 9 o'clock this evening.

"SOUTHERN CROSS"

Calcutta, Yesterday.
The "Southern Cross" has arrived at Dum Dum aerodrome. Reuter.

SANITY TESTS

SILLY QUESTIONS TO PROVE MENTAL STATE

DOUBLE MURDER TRIAL

"An unfortunate man fell off his bicycle and was instantly killed. He was taken to a hospital and they fear he will not recover."

"There was a piracy yesterday but it was not a bad one. Only 48 people were killed."

The above were the questions which Dr. A. Cannon, Medical Officer of the Victoria Gaol put to Chau Kau, the Chinese boatman who is arraigned before the Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, at the Supreme Court for the murder of a sampan girl. The prisoner is alleged to have killed two sisters, and also wounded their younger brother.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jun, for the defence, in his opening address to the jury, said that he would bring evidence to show that the case for the Crown could not be accepted. In the first place a motive for the crime had not been established. He would call evidence to show that no money and no articles of jewellery had been stolen from any one of the murdered girls.

He would also call Dr. Cannon, and a Chinese interpreter, to show that the prisoner had been subjected to a test which, in England, any ten years old child could have passed successfully, and in China a child of 15 years could pass the same test. Prisoner had not passed that test, and Dr. Cannon, although all medical officers of repute were loath to commit themselves by giving their opinion unless they were certain, would say that there was a strong mental state in the prisoner.

Evidence was then given by the interpreter who said that the questions above referred to were put to the prisoner. Witness could not remember what answer prisoner gave in respect of the first question, but to the second question he agreed that it was not a serious affair.

Case proceeding.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

GERMAN PRODUCTION OF POMP & BRILLIANCE

A HUGE SUCCESS

"The Isle of Dreams" now being shown at the Queen's Theatre, is another success to German producers and players alike.

Though the picture is rather inclined to drag, the cast is strong and efficient. The story itself is very attractive in theme.

Miss Luise Haid as the Princess is charming and plays her part understandingly. Alfons Fryland as the Prince enacts the lovable villain very well, supported by Harry Liedtke as the American.

Pretty scenes of Monte Carlo are portrayed and the picture opens rather appropriately with a scene of the Eiffel Tower, the well-known landmark of Paris, moving, of course, later to Monte Carlo, then to "The Isle of Dreams" in the Caspian Sea.

THE SMART SET

Fast Comedy at the World

William Haines, the famous star comedian, has a hilarious role in the Conway Production "The Smart Set," showing at the World Theatre for the last time to-day.

The film depicts Haines (as "Tom Van Buren") the rich son of Mr. and Mrs. Van Buren, as a conceited little of the field, but an excellent polo player. Through his pride the U.S. International team loses to Britain, but in the final match "Tom" comes into the team, as the result of the Captain (Jack Holt) being injured, and he brings off the necessary goal, with a broken mallet, which wins the match and the girl (Alice Day).

Others of note in the cast are Robert Bosworth and Coy Watson.

ST. PAUL'S REOPENING

London, June 25.
St. Paul's Cathedral, which has been undergoing extensive repairs for a very long time, will be fully re-opened on July 25, 1929. — "Singapore Free Press."

The Administrative Yuan has issued orders to the various provincial and district governments, says the Chinese press, to adopt special precautions in protecting the lives and properties of foreigners during the period of negotiations for the abolition of the extraterritorial privileges hitherto enjoyed by them in China.

Dr. Wang Chang-hui, president of the Judicial Yuan, who left recently for The Hague as a member of the International Court of Justice, travelled in company with M. J. Avenol, assistant Secretary-General to the League of Nations.

At the Weld Road Chinese mess, Kuala Lumpur, Mr. Ahn Loke and others entertained Mr. T. L. For, secretary of the Selangor Turf Club, on the eve of his departure on leave. Mr. Ahn Loke presided and several English speeches were made.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day — Queen's Theatre; "The Isle of Dreams."
To-day — World Theatre; "The Smart Set," 5.15 and 9.20.
The Mathematics of Fate, Part I, (Chinese picture), 2.30 and 7.15.
To-day — Star Theatre; "The American Venus."
To-day — Majestic Theatre; "The Lone Wolf Returns."

Home Mail
To-day — Inward from U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia; ("Shinyo Maru").

Lammerts' Auction
July 4-5 — At Carlton Hotel, household furniture, etc., 11 a.m. daily.

Land Sales
July 8 — At P.W.D. Offices, two lots of Crown land at Shamshuipo and Mong Kok Tsui, 3 p.m.

Meeting
July 6 — Meeting of Creditors of the Hong Kong & Lighter Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming's offices, noon.

Miscellaneous
July 7 — Rizal Day Concert, Filipino Club, 9 p.m.

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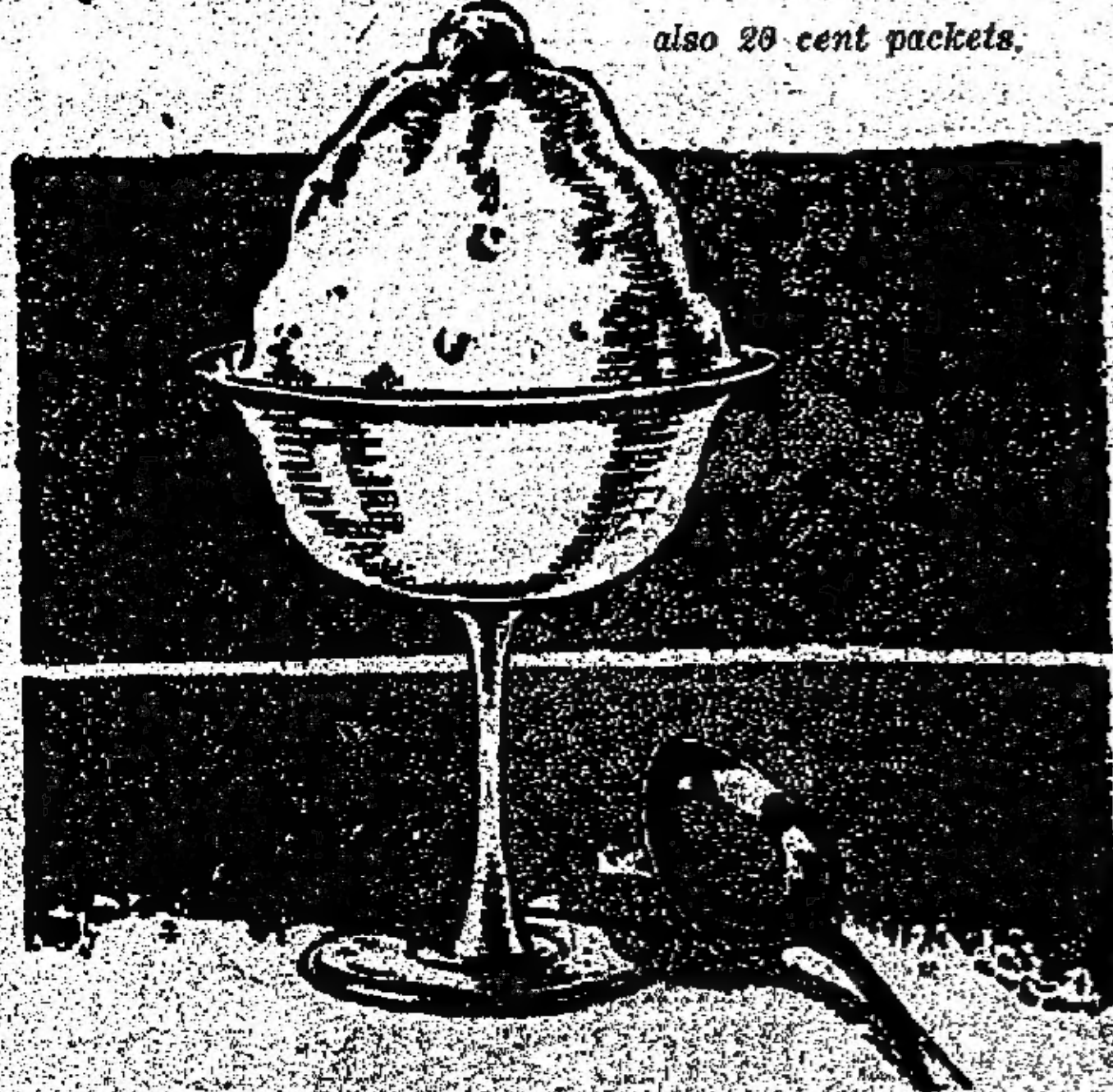
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MUI-TSAI SYSTEM TWO WOMEN CONVICTED OF ILL-TREATMENT

SENTENCE DEFERRED
Charges brought for the first
time under the Mui-Tsai Ordinance
of 1923, were preferred
against a Chinese woman named
Lam Tai-sam who appeared before
Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central
Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The allegations against her
were:—
(1) That she did take into her custody
a mui tsai named Cheah Ling-yau
(14), in February 1928, after the
date of the passing of Ordinance No.
1 of 1923; and
(2) That she did work and ill-treat
the said mui tsai by a method
which she would not have employed
in dealing with her own daughter.
Accused pleaded "not guilty,"
remarking: "I never ill-treated
her."

A second woman, named Cheng
Shin, was charged with assaulting
the mui tsai. She admitted the
charge.

Case for Prosecution
Mr. H. R. Butters, Secretariat
for Chinese Affairs, said that at
4.45 p.m., on June 23 a district
watchman saw a crowd of people
round a small girl near a water
fountain at Lan Kwai Fong, near
Wyndham-street. The girl complained
of ill-treatment by her
mistress and was taken to the
Central Police Station. An examination
of the girl at the Government Civil
Hospital showed that she was suffering
from multiple bruises. Subsequently
the women were arrested, and during
a search of the house two documents
relating to the sale of the
girl were found.

Dr. Bau, medical officer, Government
Civil Hospital, deposed to
finding multiple bruises on the
arm and over the left eye-brow,
whilst there were also abrasions
on the left knee and leg. These
could have been caused with a
blunt instrument. He considered
that more force than was necessary
had been used in chastising
the girl. In his opinion the girl
was quite normal, but was somewhat
stubbish.

"Seemed to Hate Her"
The girl, who said that she is
a native of Heungshan, said that
her mother sold her to first accused
last year, and she was
brought to Hong Kong by a travelling
trader. Since the water restriction
she was made to carry water
from the street fountain. One day
she was away for two hours and
when she returned with two buckets
of water, second accused scolded
her for being late and then struck
her with a piece of firewood. She
had frequently been beaten by this
woman, who seemed to hate her.

Witness never regarded herself
as an adopted daughter, and when
she left home she did so on the
understanding that she was going
to be a mui tsai.

An Adopted Daughter
First accused said that she had
bought the girl as an adopted
daughter and not as a mui-tsai.
She paid \$175 for the girl and
personally had always treated her
as a daughter. The bruises on
the girl were caused by second
accused during witness's absence at
work.

Mr. Butters pointed out that
since the term mui tsai came into
disrepute, people were taking
girls as "adopted daughters," but
there was no difference. It was
also odd that, although the Canton
authorities had made declarations
against the mui tsai system, the
document of sale of this particular
girl was stamped at the Police
Station there.

Remarking that he was satisfied
that the girl was a mui-tsai and
had been bought as such, his
Worship convicted the first woman on
the first charge. He was not
satisfied of her guilt on the second
charge and would dismiss that.

Second accused was convicted
of common assault.
As this was the first case
brought under the Ordinance, his
Worship gave an adjournment
until Friday afternoon for the
consideration of sentence. In the
meantime the girl would be kept
in the charge of the Po Leung
Kuk.

GANG ROBBERY FIVE YEARS AND 20 STROKES

A verdict of "Guilty" was returned
by the jury yesterday against
Tse Hung, a Chinese who was
arraigned before the Chief Justice,
Sir Henry Gollan, at the Criminal
Sessions, with having participated
in an armed robbery on May 1, at
No. 1A, Armand Building.

His Lordship sentenced prisoner
to five years' hard labour and 20
strokes of the "cat."

The Anglo-Norse Society gave a
dinner at Oslo in honour of Sir
Francis O. Lindley, the British
Minister, and Lady Lindley, at
which Dr. Nansen, the Arctic
explorer, presided.

MONEY AND SHARES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

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Bank, 30 days' sight	
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
Credits, 4 months'	
sight	2/- 1/2
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sight	2/- 1/4
On Paris—	
On demand	1197 1/2
Credits, 4 months'	
sight	1272 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	
On New York—	
On demand	46%
Credits, 60 days' sight	48 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	129 1/2
On demand	129 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	129 1/2
On demand	129 1/2
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On demand	83 1/2
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On demand	94
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On demand	81 1/2
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WATER PROBLEM

DAILY SUPPLY THROUGH THE MAINS?

DR. KOTEWALL'S SUGGESTION

At the monthly meeting of the
Chinese General Chamber of Com-
merce yesterday, several letters
from Chinese regarding the present
water shortage, were read.

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall,
C.M.G., LL.D., who was present at
the meeting, said that he thought
the best scheme so far suggested
was the one to get the Government
to pump water to the pumping
station at Tytan, so that a regular
supply could be released to the
houses in the Colony.

He said that the Government was
willing to carry out the scheme, but
funds did not permit. The cost of
hiring tankers was beyond the
Government as it would at least
entail an expenditure of \$500,000 a
month. Added to this there would
also be the cost of pumping, etc.
The total expenditure which this
scheme would involve would be
about \$800,000 a month.

Are the Public Willing to Pay?

The Hon. Dr. Kotewall added that
in view of the fact that the Govern-
ment has no funds in order to bring
this scheme to fruition, the next
best thing to do was to get up a
public meeting in order to find out
if the public were willing to pay for
it. Also to find out how much the
public would be willing to pay and
in what form.

Governments' Duty

Mr. Ho Iu said that the question
of supply water was entirely one for
the Government. It was no use
suggesting additional taxes as it
seemed obviously a matter for the
Government to handle and straight-
ten out.

Not Right Time to Air Grievances

Dr. Kotewall said they were not
discussing whether the Government
were right or wrong. Mr. Ho Iu
would have opportunity to do that
at the public meeting. The point
was, in brief, "Are the public will-
ing to help themselves?"

A Hint

Mr. Ho Iu stated that if the
shortage continued very much
longer, people would leave the
Colony and this would in the end
re-act on certain classes of people—
like the landlords for instance.

ANTI-WOBBLE

SIR HUGH ALLEN'S HINT TO SINGERS

Sir Hugh P. Allen, Director of the
Royal College of Music, in mail
week described vibrato as a singing
"disease" that was spreading over
the whole country. He was ad-
vancing the open, contralto
claps at the Wharfedale musical fes-
tival at Ilkley.

"I have become a member of a
society which is called the Anti-
Wobble Society," he continued. "I
would strongly urge all of you who
are not singers to subscribe to that
society as liberally as you can, for
the sake of preventing other people
from becoming afflicted."

"It is the worst disease singers
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ENGLISHMAN BEATEN

Chantilly, Yesterday. In the final of the French amateur golf championship (not the open championship as stated yesterday), Westland (of Chicago) beat Fletcher, the Englishman (of Dorset) by 6 up and 5 to play.—Reuter.

[In the semi-final, the winner eliminated John Dawson, the American, who was one of the favourites in the British amateur championship, in which he failed; and Fletcher beat the Hon. Michael Scott.]

BOXING

MIKE MCTIGUE IS NOW THROUGH

CAREER RECALLED

New York, June 25. The fight scrap-heap seems to await Michael McTigue from County Clarke, Ireland, twice holder of the light heavyweight championship.

Attempting to come-back at the age of 36, McTigue was knocked out in two rounds by George Hoffman, former National Amateur champion, at the St. Nicholas arena recently.

Mike has been knocked out before but where it took first-class men to do it before, Hoffman, with only a mediocre record among the professionals, found the ex-light heavyweight champion an easy victim.

McTigue's career has been full of surprises. Beginning his career in 1915, the Irishman fought eight years, with more or less success, before he inveigled Battling Siki, the singular Senegalese, into a Dublin ring on St. Patrick's day, 1923. Siki had the world's light heavyweight championship in his possession when he entered the ring but not when he came out at the end of 20 rounds, McTigue receiving the decision, and the title. Then followed a decision bout with Tommy Loughran, W. L. Stribling and Mickey Walker before McTigue surrendered the championship to Paul Berlenbach in 1925.

Nearly in the next year Mike was knocked out in four rounds by Jack Delaney and the experts were ready to retire him from the ring. But Mike suddenly developed a punch and bowled over opponent after opponent, Berlenbach, who had been relieved of his championship by Delaney, was a victim of Mike's punch in four rounds in 1927. Later that year the New York Athletic Commission transferred the 185-pound crown to McTigue when Delaney announced he no longer could make the weight. Two months later he lost it again, this time to the present title holder, Tommy Loughran.

After that Mike went down hill fast. The end of his career, to all intents and purposes, came in September of last year when he was stopped by Tuffy Griffiths in a single round.

Early in May, McTigue, apparently to recoup reported losses in the stock market, announced he would attempt a come-back. He outpointed Paul Hoffman of Holland in his first start but another Hoffman, George, apparently has written him off to the veteran's career.—Associated Press.

MASTRO DEFEATS FIDEL LA BARBA

Los Angeles, June 25. Earl Mastro, Chicago feather-weight boxer, won a decision over Fidel La Barba, former fly-weight champion of the world, in a ten round fight here to-night.—Associated Press.

RACING

RESULT OF NEWBURY SUMMER CUP

KING'S OVEN WINS

London, June 13. The following is the result of the Newbury Summer Cup (1½ miles):—
King's Oven 1
Gipsy King 2
Mara 3
Batting:—5 to 1 against King's Oven, 100 to 7 against Gipsy King and 6 to 1 against Mara.
Eleven ran. Won by half-a-length, three-quarters length between second and third.

FREAK COSTUMES

ATHLETE'S FUR GLOVES—QUITE RIGHT

Whenever an athlete does something unusual on track, field, court or links, such as C. H. Kingsley's wearing of an overcoat in the early part of a tennis match at Hurlingham, which was mail week's minor sensation in the realm of the racquet, he is greeted with accusations of affectation. People think he is trying to show off, and charge him with "swank."

Already one or two people have said of Kingsley—"That's the sort of thing I don't like to see. Mere posing!" But the truth of the matter was that Kingsley realised that, far from handicapping him, an overcoat was going to be the only adequate protection against the biting cross-country wind that prevailed during his match. A sweater would not have covered his flannel-clad legs, and he took the wise course of "covering up well" during the early part of his match, when sudden strain on cold muscles would have brought disaster, and then discarding the overcoat when he wanted to make his effort, and when his muscles were ready for it.

An athlete enveloped in coverings is not so handicapped as you would think at first glance. Jose Jurado, the little golfer from the Argentine, looked a pitiable figure in huge overalls during the first day of the Open at Muirfield, and his protection against the driving rain seemed to hold him back like a diver's costume as he prepared for his swing, but he had these overalls, and consequent semi-comfort, to thank for his 76, while others not clad to resist the elements could thank their light clothing for their 85's and 86's.

Improve the Chance

H. M. Osborne, the American, was greeted with catcalls in the A.A.A. championships at Stamford Bridge when he continued to jump up to 5ft. 10in. without removing his sweater and long woollen leggings. The British mind resents anything that savours of showing off. But Osborne himself used to say that he found his overalls no impediment whatever to his "Western roll." He stood a better chance of eventually clearing 6ft. 6in. than if he had discarded his long trousers early on, and kept on changing in and out as his turn to jump came round.

Another high jumper who raised derision in the crowds when he first appeared in Scotland is A. M. Mitchell, the Achilles and Edinburgh Harriers athlete, whose queer cat-on-hot-brick stepping up to the jump, his careful examination of the bar, his tying of a handkerchief to catch the light all raised the ire of the men in the stand, who thought his action affected. He was only adopting, however, the methods he had found to pay—and the methods it would be a good thing for many of our athletes to follow.

F. L. Firebrn, the inter-University half-miler, had to undergo a great deal of leg-pulling after his appearance a month or two ago in a University half-mile wearing hat, sweater, muffler—and fur gloves. He also was accused of affectation.

And he also had competed without a suspicion of the sensation his apparel would cause. He knew that warm muscles held three or

SECOND TEST MATCH

(Continued from Page 1.) sional, who was, like Robins, a "new cap," and who had not made runs in either innings, not given a try with the ball?

Hammond Disappoints
The weather was fine and cool when play was resumed yesterday (the third day) at Lord's, says Reuter. At the lunch interval, England had 235 runs for 5 wickets, being then 215 runs ahead.
Of the overnight not outs, Leyland was still in, having increased his score to 93, but Hendren had gone early with only 11 to his credit.

Hammond disappointed again with 5, as did O'Connor with 11. But Tate had carried on finely with Leyland and had 61 not out.

Bowlers' Wickets
After lunch, Leyland reached three figures. Robins and Larwood were dismissed cheaply, the former for a "blob." White stayed in until Tate obtained his maiden Test century and then came the declaration, 77 runs having been added after lunch.

Wickets taken in the match were:—England—Robins 5, Tate 4, Larwood 2, White 2, Hammond 1; South Africa—Morkel 7, Bell 6, Ochs 4, Christie 1.

Leyland had the highest aggregate of the match. Scores:—

England—1st innings	
H. Sutcliffe, c Mitchell, b Bell	100
E. T. Killick, b Morkel	3
W. R. Hammond, c Christie, b Morkel	0
J. O'Connor, b Morkel	43
E. Hendren, b Morkel	43
M. Leyland, b Bell	75
M. W. Tate, c Cameron, b Bell	13
R. W. V. Robins, c Mitchell, b Bell	4
H. Larwood, b Bell	35
J. C. White, b Bell, not out	11
G. Duckworth, not out	8
Extras	5
Total	302

Bowling Analysis	
Ochs	24 5 51 0
Morkel	24 6 59 6
Bell	30 4 79 6
Christie	6 2 20 0
MacMillan	7 0 31 0
Owen-Smith	1 0 3 0

South Africa—1st innings	
R. H. Catterall, b Larwood	0
B. Mitchell, b Duckworth	29
Hammond	2
J. A. J. Christie, run out	70
D. P. B. Morkel, lbw, b Tate	88
H. G. Deane, b Tate	1
H. B. Cameron, c Leyland, b Robins	32
Robins	62
H. G. Owen-Smith, not out	6
E. L. Dalton, b Tate	17
Q. MacMillan, c Killick, b White	17
A. L. Ochs, c Duckworth, b White	1
A. J. Bell, b Robins	13
Extras	13
Total	422

Bowling Analysis	
Larwood	20 4 65 1
Tate	39 9 108 3
Hammond	8 3 19 1
White	35 12 61 2
Robins	24 5 47 2
Leyland	5 2 9 0

England—2nd innings	
H. Sutcliffe, c Catterall, b Morkel	10
E. T. Killick, c Morkel, b Christie	24
M. Leyland, c Cameron, b Ochs	102
E. Hendren, b Morkel	11
W. R. Hammond, b Morkel	11
J. O'Connor, c Cameron, b Ochs	11
M. W. Tate, not out	100
R. W. V. Robins, c Mitchell, b Ochs	0
H. Larwood, b Ochs	9
J. C. White, not out	12
Extras	22
Total (for 8 wks., dec.)	512

Bowling Analysis	
Ochs	20 0 99 4
Morkel	24 6 63 2
Bell	18 2 60 0
Christie	3 0 15 0
MacMillan	13 0 24 0
Mitchell	4 0 19 0

South Africa—2nd innings	
R. H. Catterall, b Tate	3
B. Mitchell, c Hendren, b Robins	22
J. A. J. Christie, c Hendren, b Robins	41
D. P. B. Morkel, not out	17
E. L. Dalton, c Killick, b Larwood	1
H. G. Deane, c Duckworth, b Robins	2
H. B. Cameron, retired hurt	0
H. G. Owen-Smith, not out	3
Extras	3
Total (for 6 wks., dec.)	90

Bowling Analysis	
Q. MacMillan, A. L. Ochs, A. J. Bell did not bat.	
Larwood	12 3 27 1
Tate	19 4 32 3
Robins	19 4 32 3
White	9 3 11 0

four seconds' advantage over cold muscles in a half. He meant to keep warm—and keep warm he did.

COUNTY CRICKET

YORKSHIRE'S BIG DEFEAT AT TONBRIDGE

STORER MAKES 209

London, Yesterday. At Tonbridge, Kent inflicted on Yorkshire (the only county not beaten in the championship) the first defeat this season, by an innings and 76 runs. Scores:—

Kent 471 runs for 9 wickets, declared (Woolley made 131 and Harding 137; Rhodes took 6 wickets for 117 runs).
Yorkshire 108 runs (Freeman 6 wickets for 53 runs) and, following on, 287 runs (Freeman 6 for 118).

Without any intention of detracting from Kent's feat, it has to be noted that Yorkshire were without the services of Sutcliffe and Leyland, who were in the England XI in the Second Test against South Africa (see page 1).

Leicester v. Notts
At Leicester, Leicestershire lost 1st innings' points to Notts. Scores:—

Notts 334 runs (Whyall 104; Smith 5 for 94) and 198 runs (Smith 6 for 58).
Leicester 220 runs (Barratt 5 for 53) and 168 runs for 5 wickets.

Derby v. Essex
At Derby, Derbyshire led Essex on the 1st innings. Scores:—
Derby 418 runs for 4 wickets, declared (Storer 209, Bowden 128).
Essex 264 runs and, following on, 356 runs for 8 wickets (L. Eastman 161, Russell 102).

Warwick v. Glamorgan
At Birmingham, Warwickshire beat Glamorgan by an innings and 247 runs. Scores:—

Warwickshire 536 runs for 7 wickets, declared (R. E. S. Wyatt 150).
Glamorgan 166 runs (Mayer 5 for 43) and 123 runs.

Oxford's Victory
At Eastbourne, Oxford University defeated Mr. H. D. C. Leveson-Gower's XI by five wickets. Scores:—

Leveson-Gower's XI 314 runs for 9 wickets, declared and 147 runs (Wellings 5 for 40).
Oxford 209 runs and 256 runs for 5 wickets (Brett 108).—Reuter.

S.C.A.A.

The South China Athletic Association are arranging a dinner party at their Club on Saturday in commemoration of winning the Football Shield and the Basketball championships.

SEX KNOWLEDGE

DOCTOR AMAZED BY YOUNG GIRLS

Dr. Colvin, a Glasgow practitioner, speaking at the annual Conference of the Catholic Young Men's Society at Coventry said that there was a widespread belief that immorality was often due to ignorance, and that it could be reduced by teaching people what was called sex hygiene.

"My 35 years' experience in a large medical practice," he said, "has led me to the conclusion that excluding, of course, priests, doctors, and lawyers, the more people know about the function and control of sex the less moral they become."

"I have had 'dappers' of 17 to 18 coming to me, and their knowledge of sexual matters has amazed me. Married women with families, who have been my patients, have been far more innocent than these young girls."

AN AEROPLANE BLESSED

An aeroplane was blessed as well as named at Stag Lane Aerodrome, Edgware, in mail week. Lady Louis Mountbatten named the aeroplane Toti Moi by breaking a bottle of champagne upon it. A Roman Catholic priest blessed it.

The aeroplane, one of the latest type of enclosed Moth, has been purchased by the Marquis de Casa Maury, the racing motorist and the former holder of world records.

Signor Grandi, the Italian Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, who is at Budapest, visited Count Bethlen, the Premier. Agreement was expressed on questions connected with the policies of both countries.

Signor Balbo, Italian Under-Secretary for Air, has arrived in Athens with proposals from his Government for the establishment of Italian air ports in Greece.

DISARMAMENT

U.S. AND THE DOCTRINE OF PARITY

PRINCIPAL BASIS

Washington, Yesterday. Referring to reports from London that the United States would change its policy with regard to Naval Disarmament, Mr. Stimson indicated that the doctrine of parity will continue to be the principal basis of discussions in future naval parleys where the United States is concerned.

He said that the doctrine of parity was highly important as a means of determining, not how two nations were to shoot at each other, but as a means of helping them to agree not to shoot at each other.

He added "The first step which people take when they are going to shoot at each other is to try to outbuild each other. The minute they agree not to outbuild each other they are taking one of the longest steps possible towards not having war."

U.S. Naval Planes
The Navy Department awarded contracts for the construction of 152 aeroplanes yesterday.—Reuter.

AMERICAN TARIFFS

PRESIDENT HOOVER ADVISES CAUTION

SCIENTIFIC REVISION

New York, Yesterday.

Washington advises are that the Republican leaders have assured President Hoover that the Tariff Law will be scientifically revised by the Senate Finance Committee, and the heavy duty on necessities in the Bill reduced, so that the Republicans need not fear another political revulsion such as followed the Payne-Aldrich Act.

Another source understands that President Hoover is impressing upon the Finance Committee and others the necessity of great care in changing the tariff schedule lest American foreign trade be injured.

President Hoover is specially calling attention to Canadian trade.—Reuter's American Service.

"DON'T SHOOT"

MOTORS LABELLED ALONG THE BORDER

"NO LIQUOR ABOARD"

New York, Yesterday. Owing to numerous fatal shootings by Prohibition agents who have mistaken innocent people for rum-runners, hundreds of motor cars along the Canadian border are now being prominently labelled. "Don't shoot, we have no liquor aboard."—Reuter's American Service.

TEMPLE WOMEN

SYSTEM OF DEVADASIS IN INDIA DENOUNCED

London, June 5. At a conference in London of the British Commonwealth League, which aims at securing sex equality, Mrs. Jinarajadasa spoke on the evils of the system of devadasis and prostitution in India and said that the majority of the people in India are anxious for social reforms, but whenever any regulation or Bill was introduced in the Legislature the Government always opposed it.

She appealed to the various women's organisations of the Empire to pass regulations urging the Secretary of State to yield to the people's wishes.

A resolution was passed congratulating Dr. Muthulakshmi of the Madras Legislative Council on the introduction of her Bill dealing with devadasis and the abolition of the system of dedication of infants to Hindu temples.

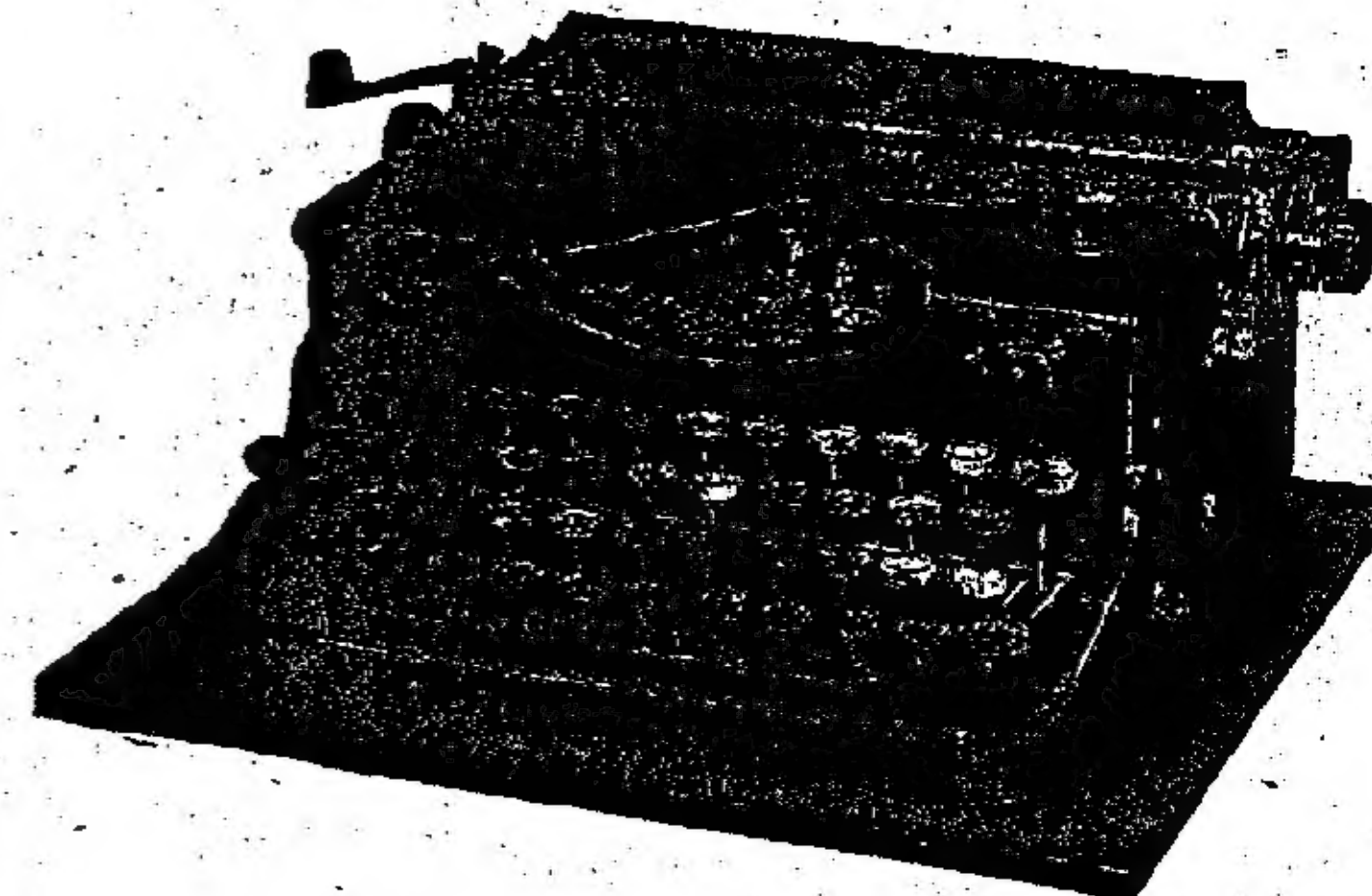
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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

To Scout Jamboree



Selected for his Scout spirit, general knowledge and ability, the rank of Eagle Scout was just conferred upon William H. Braden, of Washington, D.C., and now he has been selected to go to Liverpool to attend the international scout jamboree this month. He is the first American Scout to be sent to the affair.

Spain-America By Air



Captain Louis Coudure, French aviator, waits favourable weather at Seville, Spain, to hop off to America by way of the Azores and Halifax.

Enjoys Her Trip



Virginia Hogan of Omaha, Nebraska, is having the time of her life in New York since winning the national spelling contest at Washington. Part of the award was a visit to New York with all expenses paid and Virginia is seeing all the city.

Mr. Jiggs's Creator



Here we have an intimate glimpse of George McManus, (left), popular creator of "Bringing Up Father," photographed while being sketched by Russell Patterson, well-known illustrator. The picture was taken in Patterson's studio in New York. Russell seems to be busily engaged in trying to capture the Jiggs corned-beef-and-cabbage twinkle in McManus's eyes!

America to Peru Flight



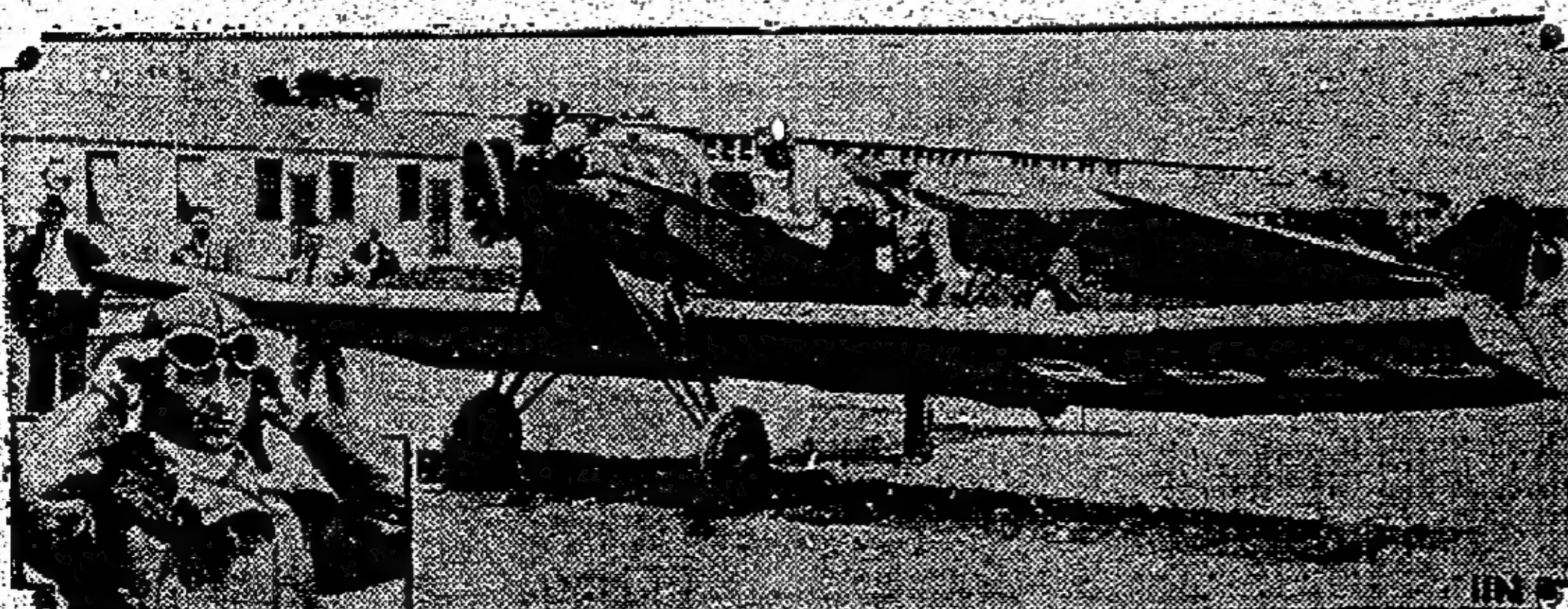
Hoping to be the first South American aviators to link the United States with her sister republics by air, Lieut. Carlos Zegarra, left, and Captain de Pinillos, will hop off from Mitchell Field, L. I., in their Bellanca 'plane "Peru," bound for Lima, Peru. The fliers expect to make several stops en route. The "Peru" is shown above being fuelled in expectation of the flight.

They Went, Saw and Conquered



Left to right, Reg Robbins and wife, and Jim Kelly and wife, getting their domestic reward after they broke all existing endurance records by remaining aloft over 172 hours, or seven days, over Fort Worth, Texas. They accomplished this by having their 'plane refuelled in the air several times, but a broken propeller finally forced them to descend.

Flirts With Clouds in Light Plane



Dwight S. Zimmerman, veteran pilot, took his 600-pound Barling NBS plane into the clouds, a distance of 24,000 feet, according to his altimeter. If this distance is found to be correct when "Barney's" instruments are sent to Washington for an accurate check up, he will have established a new record for lightweight planes.

\$35,000,000 at Stake



Hints of huge sums of money being squandered to a personal staff of psychoanalysts are contained in Mrs. Katherine Dexter McCormick's suit, instituted in Los Angeles Courts to regain custody of the millions and affections of her husband, Stanley McCormick of Chicago. She claims his affections are being alienated from herself by his physicians' treatments.

Organizes Vatican City



Commandatore Camillo Serafini, formally installed as the Governor of the Papal State, is hard at work with the organization of the Vatican City along the lines laid down in the Lateran Pact. He is working with the mixed commission which was provided for this purpose.

Shows Parisians How



Eleanora Sears, veteran Boston walker, after finishing a walk of 42 1/2 miles from Fontainebleau to her hotel in Paris in 3 hours, 35 minutes, on which journey she only partook of tea from a thermos bottle, the indefatigable woman was seen that evening dining and dancing at her hotel with friends and avowed she felt "just fine."

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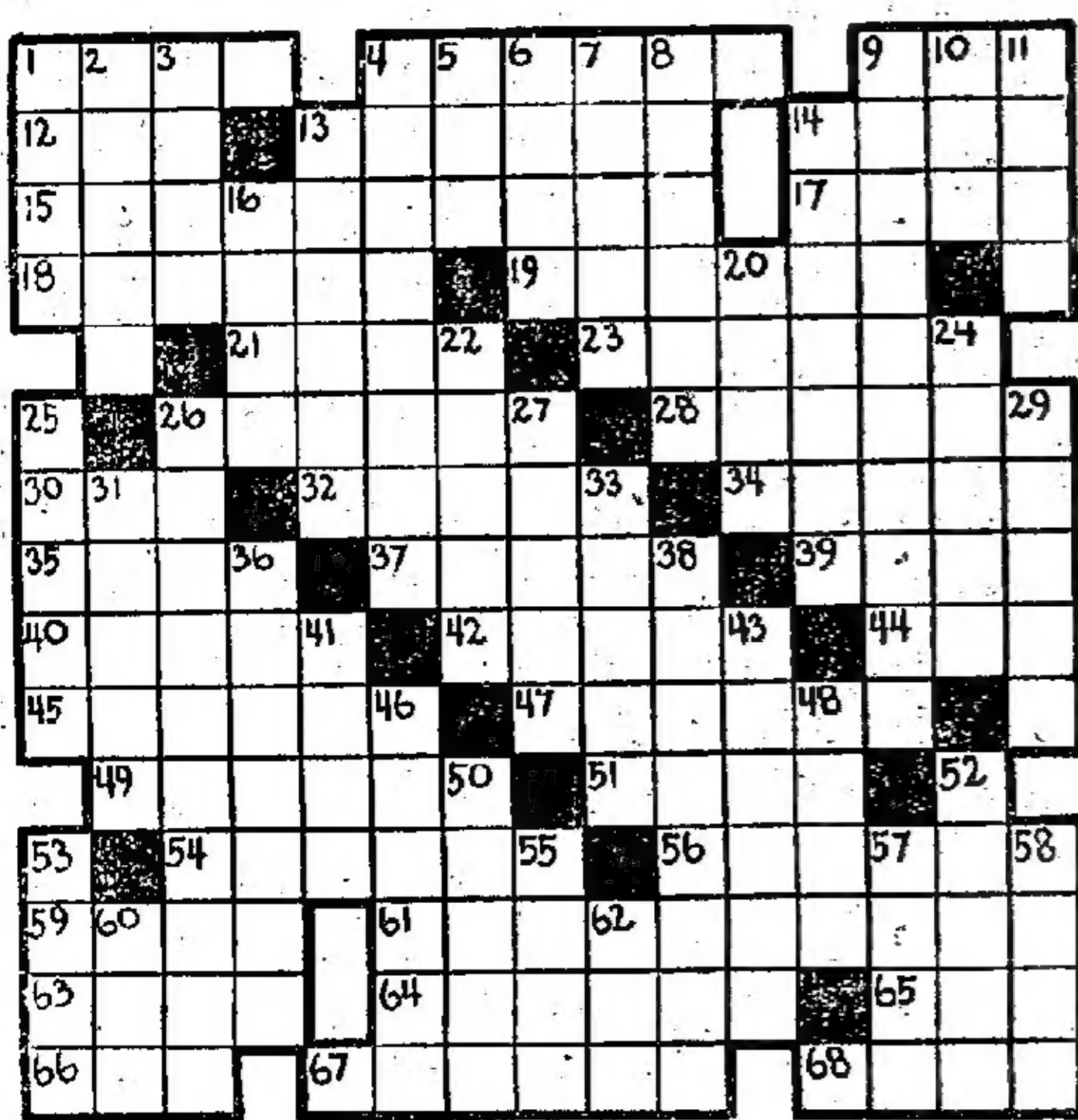
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(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plover, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Fixes
- 4-Disease
- 9-Layer
- 12-Southern State (abbr.)
- 13-Oriental show
- 14-Liberate
- 15-Mass
- 17-True-hearted
- 18-Oration
- 19-Presses forward with violence
- 21-Iron spike
- 22-One who is in want
- 23-Variety of coal
- 25-Fixed one's name to
- 30-Pre- Upward
- 32-Part of a flower
- 34-Girl's name (shortened)
- 35-Rave
- 37-His satanic majesty
- 38-President of college faculty
- 40-Happen
- 42-Bird
- 44-Reformed Protestant
- 45-Epicurean (abbr.)
- 46-Beautiful child
- 47-Tendons
- 48-Instep

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 51-Mournful
- 54-Metric measure of capacity (pl.)
- 55-Make evident
- 58-Middle western State
- 61-Organ with which insects form their webs
- 63-New England State (abbr.)
- 64-Garrete
- 65-Boy's name (short)
- 66-Small barrel
- 67-Brittle
- 68-System of signals

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 14-Provided with feathers
- 16-Feminine name
- 20-Face covering
- 22-One afflicted with serious skin disease
- 24-Tap again
- 25-French name for Morocco
- 26-Hiding
- 27-Molten volcanic matter (pl.)
- 28-A fundamental unit of force (pl.)
- 31-German for "night"
- 33-Ashy pale
- 35-Tower of fortification (abbr.)
- 36-Clemency
- 41-Red oxide of iron
- 43-Strengthens
- 44-College treasurer
- 46-Dam
- 50-Prefix. Seven
- 52-Performed
- 53-Tuft of hair
- 55-Perches
- 57-Biblical mountain
- 58-Self
- 60-Garden tool
- 62-Pinch

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

2,000 REPATRIATES RETURN TO GO ON LAND IN CANADA

Montreal, May 14.
During 1929 about two thousand French-Canadians will be repatriated from the New England States to take up farming in Quebec, Ontario and the far west of Canada, according to estimates of the Colonization Department of the Canadian National Railways. In 1928, through movements in which the Canadian National was directly interested, 1,500 Canadians, most of them natives of Quebec, returned to Canada to go on the land.
Already a large party has set out for the west. A still larger body is expected to make a similar journey in June.
Although many of these French-Canadians originally left their homes to take up industrial work in the United States, most of them, it is pointed out, welcome a chance to return to the soil. For these the new settlement taking place in the Abitibi, Lake St. John and eastern regions of Quebec, and the establishment of new parishes in the Peace River district of Alberta hold forth strong inducements. Others will be coming back to their homes in Quebec.
A party of 200 of these repatriates recently travelled to Alberta and located on a new parish at Kathleen, near McLennan on the Peace River Railway.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Altitude)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Tai Mo Shan	3124
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"CONFESSION"

"JACK THE RIPPER"
MYSTERIES

VENGEANCE AS THEORY

Never in the history of crime has there been a murder, or series of murders, which struck such horror into the minds of the contemporary public, or lived into the thoughts and interest of succeeding generations, as have those of "Jack the Ripper."

The type of women who were the victims, the ruthlessness, and brutality of the murderer, the apparent lack of motive, and the unfailing regularity with which, in spite of the open manner in which the crimes were committed, the assassin eluded arrest, have all conspired to awaken the lively interest of criminologists, amateur and professional, down to the present day.

Thousands of theories have been advanced, dozens of "confessions" have been made, the mystery is still as deep as ever.

A completely new recapitulation of the crimes, analysis of the theories, and an advancement of one of the most plausible explanations and identification of the murderer, are published by Messrs. Hutchinson—"The Mystery of Jack the Ripper," by Leonard Matters.

The Criminal

At one time Mr. Matters was editor of a Buenos Aires newspaper. "More good crime stories are to be picked up in Buenos Aires than anywhere else in the world that I know of," he writes. "It was while in Buenos Aires that I came upon a confession that, if genuine, would help to dissipate much of the mystery of 'Jack the Ripper.'"

Mr. Matters spent many months in investigating the facts, and he was approached by a woman who, as a girl, met "such a man as that described" in the confession.

"By discarding one theory after the other, particularly as to motive, we have arrived at certain inevitable conclusions. The murderer was not a homicidal lunatic, though he may have been a monomaniac. Robbery never could have been his motive, therefore he was not some desperate, penniless criminal. He was not a slaughterman nor a sailor. He had no confederates or confidants. He was almost certainly a person in the upper strata of Society. Was he a surgeon? Almost positively, yes."

Mr. Matters asks and answers the following questions:
Why were all his victims immoral women?
Why did he kill only in the East End of London?

Why?

Why did he desert from murder after the death of Marie Kelly?

His answers are:
Among the immoral women of London "Jack the Ripper" was determined to find one woman of whose existence he had good cause to be positively certain.

This woman he knew definitely to be resident in the East End of London.

Marie Kelly was that woman, and when he had killed her he was satisfied. His motive was the direct one of personal vengeance upon that woman, and when she was dead at his hands he was content.

Mr. Matters tells the story of a "Dr. Stanley," the name admittedly being fictitious. Dr. Stanley was a brilliant surgeon, well known for the daring and skill of his operations. A widower, he was passionately fond of his only son. That son, after celebrations in the West End, terminating at a cafe, became acquainted with the woman Marie Jeanette Kelly, and subsequently died of a malignant disease.

"All Ought To Be Killed"

Dr. Stanley swore vengeance on this woman, and the story of his search for her in the West End is vividly told. He ultimately discovered that she had gone rapidly down hill, and was to be found in the East End.

During his inquiry at the cafe he became acquainted with a young woman, still alive, whose story to Mr. Matters is also retold, and affords confirmation of the account of Dr. Stanley's life, which comes from the confession.

Dr. Stanley is alleged to have said of the "unfortunate woman" that they all ought to have been killed, and the story in the confession tells of how, in his search for the girl Kelly in the East End, he picked up other women and killed them. When he found Marie Kelly and killed her his work was complete.

The "confession" was made in Buenos Aires by "Dr. Stanley" to a former medical student of his, who was then practising in the Argentine capital.

One result of Mr. Matters' investigations which throws some doubt on the "confession" is that no one answering to "Dr. Stanley's" description is to be found in the records of the medical profession at that time.

Whether the confession is genuine or not, the book is a highly interesting work, and of real value, if

CHARMED A QUEEN

SULLIVAN'S LOVE-
TRAGEDY

HIS GUIDING SPIRIT

What was the greatest influence in the life of Sir Arthur Sullivan, the immortal musician?

It was his friendship with the beautiful Mrs. Ronalds, according to Mr. Isaac Goldberg, of Roxbury, Massachusetts, whose "Gilbert and Sullivan" was published in mail week.

"Mrs. Pierre Lorillard Ronalds (born Mary Frances Carter), of Boston, Massachusetts, was by two years," writes Mr. Goldberg, "the senior of Sullivan." She had made her debut at sixteen, and at once had assumed in Back Bay society a foremost place for her voice and for her beauty."

Back Bay is the aristocratic area of Boston.

Couple Separated

Mrs. Ronalds had four children, but within less than ten years of her marriage she and her husband discovered their "incompatibility."

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and, while travelling in Europe, agreed to separate. Mr. Goldberg adds:

Ronalds went back to America; his wife continued to Algeria, and, eventually, established herself in London. It was her fondness for the British capital indeed, that had been one of the real causes for the break with her husband.

What becomes of the four children does not appear. Mr. Goldberg, however, presents a few more facts about Mrs. Ronalds which are unknown to most people. He says:

In her early days she had roused the jealousy, in Paris, of Empress Eugenie. Napoleon III, had pensioned her when, in 1870, he was deposed from the French throne. She had followed him to London, and had been introduced by him to the Prince of Wales. (This was King Edward).

Quickly she made the acquaintance of the Duke of Edinburgh and Sullivan.

The Duke of Edinburgh, King Edward's brother, was an enthusiastic musician and violinist. By this American lady—the permanent ambassador of the United States at the Court of St. James—even Queen Victoria was charmed out of her etiquette.

London could not forget that the Queen had granted Mrs. Ronalds a private presence, and that Victoria had thrown all Court procedure to the winds by receiving her standing and chatting with her confidentially for half an hour. She was among the American women to conquer English society. Her salon at No. 7, Cadogan Place, was for years renowned as a sort of unofficial annex to the Court.

The glamour remained long after the Queen's passing; long after Sullivan's death. Her visitors enjoyed the thrill of never knowing just when King Edward and Queen Alexandra might pay her, as was their wont, an informal visit and thus transform her modest drawing-room into the momentary pivot of the kingdom.

From the moment they met, Mrs. Ronalds and Sullivan conceived a high regard for each other. She became, indeed, his guiding spirit. Not a day but brought word from him wherever he might be. Not to hear from her, in turn, was to him cause for depression.

"The Lost Chord"

Mrs. Ronalds made the first phonograph record in England, singing Sullivan's song, "The Lost Chord." Mr. Goldberg recalls that Sullivan left her the manuscript of the first notes of the song, jotted down at the bedside of his dying mother, and that when she died in 1910 she directed that the manuscript be buried with her.

The relation between Mrs. Ronalds and Sullivan are known only in sketchy outline. What has become of the hundreds and hundreds of letters that passed between them?

Mrs. Ronalds' husband filed papers for divorce thirty years after his separation from his wife. He withdrew charges of desertion on Mrs. Ronalds agreeing to "certain changes in the property," and Mr. Goldberg adds that "so from the legal standpoint, there could be no question of marriage between Sullivan and the dark lady of his sonnets."

This suggests that Mr. Ronalds dropped the divorce proceedings and that they were based solely on the ground of desertion.

Mr. Goldberg suggests that it is not impossible that Sullivan died a disappointed man. "Love," he says, "had passed him by, though it had touched his lips with the cup of Tantalus."

for no other reason, as a sane and deliberately unsensational record of this highly interesting series of crimes.

LICHENSTEIN

AGED BACHELOR ON THRONE
OF TINY PRINCIPALITY

PRINCE FRANZ

Vaduz, Lichtenstein. — "The Prince is dead; long live the Prince" was the recent cry of this tiny principality when Johann "the Good" died and was succeeded by his brother, Prince Franz.

The new ruler is 75 years of age. Like his brother, he is a bachelor and these two factors have already started gossip as to his successor. It is said that a youth of 18, Prince Franz Joseph, a grand-nephew of the elderly ruler, has already been selected as the next occupant of the old throne.

Prince Franz is a tall, aristocratic appearing man who for years was Austro-Hungarian ambassador to the glittering court of the czars in St. Petersburg. He is a patron of fine arts and has other traditional characteristics of royalty.

But the proclamation he addressed to his people while it recalled that providence had conferred on his brother the destinies of the realm, made no direct reference to any divine right of his own. He promised to try to "administer faithfully the heritage of his ancestors, to respect the rights and liberties of his people and to strive with all his might for the welfare of his country."

He did not use the old royal formula that he had been "chosen by the grace of God," nor did he refer to his people as "subjects." Democracy has been growing in Lichtenstein and the people are hoping that Prince Franz will turn out to be a "parliamentary ruler."



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INWARD MAILS.

From WEDNESDAY, JULY 3.

Japan St. Albans
Amoy Santhia
Shanghai and Swatow Suikyung

THURSDAY, JULY 4.

Europe via Suez (letters and papers), London, 6th June and parcels, 30th May Khyber
Shanghai and Amoy Kanchow

FRIDAY, JULY 5.

Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (London, 15th and 14th June) Kashgar
Japan and Shanghai Kashgar
U.S.A., Canada (Seattle, 15th June), Japan and Shanghai President Taft

SUNDAY, JULY 7.

Manila Empress of Asia

OUTWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3.

Sam Shui and Wuchow Kongo 4 p.m.
Formosa Tatsuno Maru 5 p.m.
Amoy Sirdhana 5 p.m.
Haiphong Gia-Long 5 p.m.
Haiphong Havdrot 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 4.

Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Brisbane Burma Maru (Due Brisbane, 22nd July.)
Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.
Cremor 10.30 a.m.
Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.
Haiyang 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 5.

Holhow Kweiyang 8.30 a.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island St. Albans (Due Thursday Island, 20th July.)
Parcels July 5, Noon
Registration 1.45 p.m.
Letters 2.30 p.m.
Hatching 1 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Kashgar
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 4th August) Khyber 8.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia Anking 10 a.m.
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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 4th August) G.P.O.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 6.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 7.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

MONDAY, JULY 8.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 9.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 11.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 12.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 13.

Parcels July 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration July 5, 5 p.m.
Letters July 5, 9 a.m. Registration July 5, 9.45 a.m.
Amoy July 5, 10 a.m. Registration July 5, 10.30 a.m.

YEN HSI-SHAN SICK

IN GERMAN HOSPITAL WITH DYSENTERY

SEQUEL TO CONFERENCES?

Peking, Last Night.
Late this evening while Ho Cheng-chun (who has been acting on Chiang Kai-shek's behalf during the negotiations) and General Fang-peng-jen (also supporting Chiang Kai-shek) were in conference with Yen Hsi-shan, the latter was suddenly taken ill. A doctor was called and the ordered Yen Hsi-shan to hospital without delay.

Yen Hsi-shan thereupon entered the German Hospital, which is in the Legation Quarter. It is believed that he is suffering from dysentery.—Reuter.

Political Movements

Shanghai, Yesterday.
It is understood that there are murmurings against the alleged possible detention of Yen Hsi-shan in Peking by order of Chiang Kai-shek. Yen Hsi-shan's visit to Peking may end similarly to that of Li Chai-sum to Nanking several months ago, when Chiang Kai-shek placed Li Chai-sum under arrest.

Yen Hsi-shan has not been actually detained, but is said to have been forced to cancel his proposed trip abroad with Feng Yu-hsiang.

Yen Hsi-shan is said to have made counter-proposals to Chiang Kai-shek providing for a short trip abroad in Japan and then returning to China immediately under a personal escort to be furnished by Chiang Kai-shek. The freedom of Yen Hsi-shan at Peking is now a topic of private conversation in Shanghai.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Pressure to Bear

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Supporters of Chiang Kai-shek strongly deny the rumour that he has secretly instructed the Police of Peking to exercise close watch over the movements of the personal staff of Yen Hsi-shan, who is in Peking to tender his resignation as a member of the Government and Chairman in Shansi.

Another report hints that Chiang has brought pressure to bear on Yen so that the latter will drop his plan of going abroad with Feng Yu-hsiang.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Less Abdurate

Shanghai, Yesterday.
A Nanking official report states that as a result of Chiang Kai-shek's earnest persuasion, Yen Hsi-shan's attitude is not as obdurate as on his arrival at Peking and he is now willing to request Feng Yu-hsiang to proceed to Peking for a conference with Chiang Kai-shek.

This conference, the report adds, is intended to settle the difficult problem of disposing of the Kuomintang army after Feng Yu-hsiang's retirement.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Puzzling Movements

Shanghai, To-day.
Political observers are puzzled about the definite personal movements of Yen Hsi-shan and Feng Yu-hsiang. The fact that Yen Hsi-shan is still in Peking in spite of the earlier report that he was to return to Talyuan on July 2, and that Feng Yu-hsiang is remaining at Talyuan where he is in conference with high Shansi officials and some Kuomintang generals, all indicate no optimistic outcome in regard to the relations between the Kuomintang and the Shansi Army on the one hand and Chiang Kai-shek on the other.

While it is very improbable

that Feng Yu-hsiang will start his journey to Japan as scheduled on July 5— if he does go at all—Yen Hsi-shan is believed to be unable to join Feng Yu-hsiang for his journey, as Yen Hsi-shan is at present delaying his departure from Peking.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

CRISIS IN LANCS.

COTTON TRADE

WAGES DISPUTE

MEN UNANIMOUSLY REJECT EMPLOYERS' DEMAND

MORE NEGOTIATIONS

London, Yesterday.

The Wages Council of the Master Cotton Spinners' Federation and representatives of the Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers' Association met the Operative Spinners' Amalgamation and the Cardroom Amalgamation to discuss the employers' proposal to reduce wages by 12.82 per cent.

It was stated, after the conference, that the workers unanimously rejected the employers' demand.

Negotiations by the Manufacturers' Association will begin on Monday with the Northern Textile Trade Federation.—Reuter.

LOCAL SHOWERS

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: Pressure is highest in the Pacific to the east of Japan and the Bonins, and is relatively low over China generally. The position of the typhoon is uncertain. It probably exists as a depression to the south of Vladivostok. Forecast:—S. winds, moderate; cloudy; local showers.

WITH RESERVATIONS

FRENCH CHAMBER AND THEIR WAR DEBTS

A RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Paris, Yesterday.

The chamber of Foreign Affairs Committee has adopted a resolution in favour of the ratification of the debt agreements with Great Britain and the United States with reservations.—Reuter.

TEMPERATURE, 10 a.m., to-day

82

Temperature, 4 p.m., yesterday

86

Humidity, 10 a.m., to-day

84

Humidity, 4 p.m., yesterday

76

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EUROPEANS' PERIL

Mr. F. O. D. Gourdin, of the Bank Line, reported to the Police yesterday that at about 7 p.m., on Monday he was involved in a motor accident on the Castle Peak road.

The accident occurred on a stretch of road under repair near the 14th mile stone. Mr. Gourdin's car and another driven by Capt. Riggs, going in opposite directions, collided head on.

The engine of Mr. Gourdin's car was damaged. The other car was only slightly damaged. Both drivers escaped injury.

BANISHEE'S LAPSE

Charged with attempted theft of panes of glass from an untenanted flat in Shamshui, a returned banishee was this morning at the Kowloon Police Court sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

For disobeying a banishment order made in 1926 for a period of five years, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith imposed a sentence of nine months' jail with 15 strokes of the birch, the sentences to run consecutively.

A second accused, who pleaded guilty to attempted larceny, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

ANXIETY IN CANTON

DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO CHANS

GOVERNOR V. COMMANDER

Canton, Yesterday.

Some anxiety is being felt in Canton over the disagreement in policy regarding Canton political affairs between General Chan Ming-shu (Governor) and General Chan Chai-tong (Commander-in-Chief).—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Kwangsi Wants Loan

Canton, Yesterday.
The authorities in Canton, while willing to accord all military and moral assistance to the pro-Government Kwangsi troops at Wuchow, etc., are unable to comply with the new request for a loan of \$800,000. The new Kwangsi leaders under Mr. Yu Tsok-pak hint that Kwangtung has in custody over \$750,000 worth of Kwangsi subsidiary silver coin belonging to the old regime, which should now (it is suggested) be handed over to the new regime.

Canton financial officials have no record that such a deposit had been made by the old Kwangsi Government in Canton banking institutions or the Canton Mint.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

HAINAN'S STATUS

NATIVES' OPPOSITION TO SEPARATION

AS A PART OF KWANGTUNG

Canton, Yesterday.

The residents of the Hainan Island, to the south of Kwangtung, and students and merchants from that district resident in Canton held a meeting on June 30 in the auditorium of the Chungshan University to pass a resolution against the suggestion of turning the island into a special political area independent of the Kwangtung provincial administration.

At the meeting a committee was appointed to request the Canton Provincial Government to drop this measure. In their opinion, Hainan Island cannot be detached from the Kwangtung provincial administration, economically as well as politically.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

RUSSIAN LOITERER

FOUND WITHOUT PASSPORT AT WUCHOW

SAYS HE WAS TRAVELLING

Wuchow, Monday.

A Russian who was found loitering around the Wuchow district recently by a district official is being detained and will be taken to the Office of the Foreign Commissioner in Canton for investigation, as he has no passport authorizing him to journey into the interior of Kwangtung.

According to his statement when questioned, his presence in Kwangtung has no connection with political activities whatsoever and that he was merely travelling for curiosity.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

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